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Kylian Mbappe scores the second goal to take match into extra-time | AP

THREE KYLIAN MBAPPE BECAME THE SECOND PLAYER TO SCORE HAT-TRICK IN WORLD CUP FINAL

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PM hints at FIFA-like event in India, unveils slew of projects in NE

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@Guwahati

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday launched a slew of development projects in poll-bound Tripura and Meghalaya, and said that the northeast region has benefited the most from various development initiatives of the Centre.

Addressing a public rally in Agartala, he said the region, which was earlier known for conflicts, is now synonymous with development, connectivity and cleanliness. Highlighting the BJP government's focus on development, he said his government is spending as much as ₹7 lakh crore on infrastructure this year. In contrast, the amount was less than ₹2 lakh crore eight years ago, he added.

In Meghalaya, Modi chose to speak the language of football. Speaking at a function in Shillong, he said India will host a mega global sports event like the FIFA World Cup in the near future where Indians will cheer for the tricolour. Dropping hints that such an event will be held in region, he said the World Cup might be underway in Qatar but the enthusiasm and excitement were no less in the Northeast.

"Today I can say from Shillong that even if we have our eyes on the foreign teams playing the game in Qatar, I have faith in the power of our

youth. The day is not far off when we will celebrate the same kind of extravaganza and cheer for the tricolour," Modi said amid thunderous applause. He was speaking after attending the golden jubilee celebration of the North Eastern Council. "In football, if someone plays against the spirit of the game, then the



Tripura gets projects worth ₹4,300 crore

The PM inaugurated a slew of development projects worth ₹4,300 cr in Tripura. He said the "double-engine government" is determined to implement development projects in the state

player is shown red card and sent off. In a similar way, over the last five years in the Northeast, we have shown red card to any obstacles against development," Modi said, adding, "We tried to remove corruption, division, violence, vote-bank politics to pave the way for development."



FOOT OF GOD

Finally, Messi wins World Cup, thwarts France's spirited comeback led by Mbappe's hat-trick in a pulsating final

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN

ROSARIO's rose-tinted boy finally has the World Cup trophy. Two years after losing Diego Maradona, a football-obsessed, trophy-starved nation will look up to the heavens not thinking about the past but about the present. Thirty-six years after one of Argentina's greatest heroes delivered them the sport's holy grail, they have once again reached the promised land.

Holders France, who had the opportunity to become the first team to go back-to-back since Brazil in 1958 and 1962, were expected to seriously challenge for the title. And they did. After tak-

ing time to enter into the encounter — Argentina were winning 2-0 with 10 minutes left on the clock when the defending champions belatedly woke up — they threatened to spoil Lionel Messi's dream farewell. From 2-0 and one hand on the trophy, France scored twice inside 100 seconds to equalise. The identity of both those goals was Kylian Mbappe, whose hat-trick illuminated a packed Lusail Stadium.

Messi had scored one, contributed to a thrilling counter-attacking goal to make it 2-0 before Mbappe showed why he's ideally placed to replace Messi as the best player in world football. In the second half of extra-time,

Messi added a third, his second of the evening that just dribbled over the line before it was cleared (it was clearly over), before Mbappe added a third from the penalty spot. In the shoot-out, Argentina, like they had showed against Netherlands, kept their nerve. Both Mbappe and Messi took responsibility to open and succeeded.

The match itself was largely pedestrian in terms of quality before France's late onslaught. It's possible they took time to get going because of a flu that had been going on in their camp. While that may have been a factor in Les Bleus' poor start, what changed the momentum from

the very off was the inclusion of Angel di Maria. Even before the opening goal, Argentina were playing the kind of football they like to play. Front-foot, energetic and full of freedom. That kind of ethos was why coach Lionel Scaloni opted to bring Di Maria. It made wonders as Di Maria, before being substituted just past the hour mark, had scored, assisted and given the French right-back, Jules Kounde, a horrible evening.

In that same blink of an eye, the match turned as France came back. Mbappe, who will surely go on to break all World Cup goalscoring records, scored two in the time it takes to wash a

hand properly these days. Then Messi and Mbappe traded a goal each before Martinez, one of the best keepers from 12 yards, stood out to give his country a third World Cup title.

As Montiel found the back of the net to lift 36 years of hurt, Messi, standing on the centre circle, slumped to his knees. The man who had famously been slagged off for not feeling Argentine enough, a man who had been attacked by a few for not singing the national anthem with passion had had a big hand in winning the title they crave.

Rosario's golden boy had dreamt the wildest of dreams. He delivered on it. **P13**

EXPRESS READ

Iranian actor arrested for backing protests



Tehran: Iran on Saturday arrested actor Taraneh Alidoosti, known for her role in the Oscar-winning film *The Salesman* for backing the nationwide protests | **P11**

Morality dictated by dominant groups: CJJ

The Chief Justice of India D Y Chandrachud on Saturday said that morality is a fluid concept that varies from person to person. But it is often dictated by dominant groups. He was delivering a lecture on 'Law and Morality: Bounds and Reaches'.

B'gavi session to witness protests from 60 groups

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AS Belagavi Suvarna Soudha is all set to host the 10-day winter session of the legislature from Monday, as many as 60 rallies and dharnas have been planned by various organisations to seek the attention of the government.

While opposition party members are gearing up to put the ruling BJP government on the mat on various issues inside the Assembly and Council, Belagavi police have received applications from 60 organisations seeking permission to hold protests outside the House. Basavajaya Mrutyunjaya Swamiji of Kudalasangama Panchamasali Peeta who is demanding 2A reservation to Panchamasalis has warned the state government that they are going to seize Suvarna Soudha on Thursday.

While Dalit Sangarsha Samithi (DSS) is taking out a 'Belagavi Chalo' protest march demanding the implementation of Justice A J Sadashiva's report on reservation, Karnataka Sugarcane Growers Association members, who have been holding a protest in Bengaluru for the last one month, have shifted to Belagavi.



Workers clean the lawn of Suvarna Soudha ahead of the winter session which is set to begin from Monday in Belagavi | **KPN**

Savarkar portrait may trigger row in Assembly

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Belagavi

THE proposed installation of a portrait of Hindutva ideologue V D Savarkar in the Assembly Hall is expected to create a controversy in both Houses on the first day of the winter session of legislature at Suvarna Soudha in Belagavi on Monday.

Opposition leaders said they have been invited for the unveiling ceremony of Dr B R Ambedkar and Mahatma Gandhi's portraits on Monday. The government has reportedly made arrangements to unveil seven portraits, including that of Savarkar in the hall.

KPCC president D K Shivakumar said he is happy to be

invited for unveiling of Gandhi and Ambedkar's portraits. He, however, said only after seeing whose portraits have been installed in the Assembly, the course of action will be decided.

Siddaramaiah called Savarkar (instead of Nathuram Godse) as Gandhi's assassin. "Why the portrait of Savarkar in the House now? There is no need for it. Savarkar is a controversial personality," he said, adding that he has not received any invitation for the event.

KPCC working president Satish Jarkiholi said he never expected this to happen. This will be discussed in the campaign committee meeting of Congress, he said.

Boy plays with gun, kills 7-yr-old bro

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

IN a tragic incident, a seven-year-old boy died after his elder brother (15), while playing with a single-barrel gun accidentally fired a bullet which hit him. The incident occurred in Kadushivanahalli village of Kodihalli in Kanakapura taluk of Ramnagara district on Saturday afternoon.

The deceased has been identified as Shamabin, son of Ameenullah, who hails from Chandauli district in Uttar Pradesh. Police said Ameenullah, who works in a farm, has six children and his second child has been booked in the case. His employer Malleesh (51) has been arrested

under the Arms Act for possessing the weapon illegally.

"Ameenullah and his family had come to Karnataka 5-6 months ago and were working in Mysuru. As the work was nearing completion, he contacted his friend Ajay Prajapati, who hails from his native and asked him to find him some work. Prajapati, who was working in Kodihalli, asked the family to come to Kodihalli following which the family shifted on December 14 and started looking for a job. Malleesh offered them to work in his farm. The family went there on Friday and started living in a shed," the police said.

On Saturday morning, Ameenullah and his wife, along

with four of their children, went to Prajapati's house leaving Shamabin and another son in the shed. "Around 1.30 pm, his son contacted him over the phone and asked him to come immediately. Ameenullah rushed home to find Shamabin lying in a pool of blood. He asked his son what happened and the latter narrated that he was playing in the shed and came across a gun kept on sacks. He started playing with the gun and pressed the trigger. The pellets hit Shamabin in the head and an eye, when he was having lunch sitting on the floor," the police added.

Kodihalli police have detained the boy, Malleesh said he got the weapon "somewhere" and kept it in the shed, unaware that it was loaded.

Classmates stop marriage of minor girl in West Bengal

PRANAB MONDAL @Kolkata

A friend in need is a friend indeed. A minor student in West Bengal's West Midnapore district perhaps realised this on Saturday, when her classmates intervened to stop her from being married off against her wishes.

The class IX students of Golar Sushila High School in Golar noticed that their classmate has not been attending school for the past week. Once they found out that her marriage has been fixed, the students rushed to her house and demanded that she be allowed to return to school. Sensing trouble, the girl's family secretly took her to the would-be groom's house through the back door.

When the students came to know about this, they went to the groom's house and threatened to launch an indefinite protest.

In a bid to avoid trouble, the groom's family handed her over to the agitating students, who then took her back to their school. The school's headmaster Suresh Chandra Padia praised the students and said the marriage was avoided only because of their determination. Dipak Kumar Ghosh, the block development officer of Keshpur block, where the school is located, said her family has promised not to marry her off before she turns 18.

The girl's neighbours said her family decided to marry her off early due to financial problems.

M'luru fish to get back wings to fly

DIVYA CUTINHO @Mangaluru

THE export of chilled fish from the coastal region of Karnataka to foreign countries via air is expected to resume soon after a gap of five years. The fish was earlier flown by Air India flights but stopped due to recession, falling prices in the international market and complaints about improper packaging and leakage.

Fisheries Minister S Angara said the matter has been taken up with Air India and two other airlines and a process to resolve technical issues will be completed soon.



Harish Kumar, Joint Director, Dakshina Kannada Fisheries Department, told *The New Indian Express*, "The airlines are refusing to carry chilled fish from Mangalore International Airport. As a result, the fish caught from Mangaluru and Malpe ports is being trans-

ported in trucks by road to Bengaluru, Goa, Kozhikode or Thiruvananthapuram, and from there it is exported overseas, especially to the Middle East. But it is a costly affair and consumes a lot of time. The minister has discussed the matter with the airline authorities and the services are likely to resume, but with conditions."

The authorities also say that the packaging of fish should be of international standards for services to resume. On an average 70,000 metric tonne of fish is exported from Dakshina Kannada and Udupi annually via cargo ships.

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Back-to-back exams take toll on students

Trend changing as high expectations from students cause more stress leading to depression and suicide

DONNA EVA @ Bengaluru

AS final exams approach, Class 10 students face the daunting task of writing several exams over a period of six months. Mid-terms, mock examinations, board examinations and entrance tests, not to mention the coaching for national-level exams that they will have to take two years later.

Constant stress from back-to-back examinations takes its toll on students, both physically and mentally. Cases of suicide and depression are also reported among this age group around this time of year. One parent, on condition of anonymity, told TNIE that the pressure to score better and compete with peers has increased pressure on their



child. "In my school days, there was less pressure to score marks in schools. An average of 70 per cent marks was considered an achievement at that time. However, now there is more pressure to perform better, not only for the sake of looking better in front of friends, but also to get into a

better institution and ensure a good future," the parent said. Dr Bhavit Bansal, who works with the Child and Psychiatry Department in NIMHANS said that the importance given to technology in the current education system has negatively impacted students, increasing their stress. "Students are naturally

inclined towards more media consumption, especially visual media. This eventually leads to visual fatigue for the child. This, combined with examinations, where they study for hours at a stretch, coupled with increased late nights, can have a negative effect on them," he said.

He said both teachers and parents need to be trained on how to reduce stress among students. "Adequate training should be given not only to teachers, but also parents, as they are the care-givers. If students notice that parents are panicking, this will inevitably cause panic among them too," he said.

Meanwhile, highlighting the socio-cultural impact of the issue, a parent and prominent

filmmaker Kesari Haravoo said that the introduction of entrance examinations at the PU level increases the class divide among students. "Examinations do not define the learning process. Students, especially from rural areas, come from families where they are either first generation or second generation students. These students are at a greater disadvantage compared to students coming from the better strata of society. Getting high marks means a better seat and lower fees, while lower marks mean a regular seat and higher fees. This negatively impacts students who cannot afford to get extra coaching or have access to additional training from different sources," he said.



A BBMP garbage truck releases leachate into Varthur Lake

BBMP garbage truck releases leachate into lake

MOHAMMED YACOUB @ Bengaluru

A BBMP truck parked on the Varthur Lake Bridge has reportedly been releasing leachate into the lake. Leachate is a liquid that takes in substances from the material through which it passes, often making the liquid harmful or poisonous.

The residents of the area say that despite several complaints made to the authorities and despite raising the issue in ward committee meetings, the problem has not been solved.

Jagadish Reddy, Varthur village resident and member Varthur Raising said, "The issue is nine months old. The truck is parked at night and till the morning it is stationed on Lake Bridge during which all the dirty liquid that leaks comes on to the road and enters the lake area."

According to the stipulated rules of Solid Waste Management, the compactors and trucks should be parked at safe places and away from lakes, residential areas,

schools and hospitals. The auto tippers have to come to the designated place called 'transfer point' and empty the waste collected.

"Once the truck leaves the transfer point with a truckload of waste, the area has to be sprayed with chemicals like bleaching powder to prevent infection from spreading. But in this case, this process is missing," said Reddy, adding, every month Rs 1.5 lakh is sanctioned to maintain the transfer point but the trucks are still spotted at different points.

Confirming that the BBMP compactors were found parked on Lake Bridge, Assistant Engineer, Solid Waste Management, Mamatha told TNIE that the violation was noticed 10 days ago and the drivers had been instructed to park the vehicles at safer place.

"Standing instructions have been given to the garbage truck driver not to park anywhere in the lake surrounding," claimed Mamatha.

130 unsafe road humps removed, rest by NY

MOHAMMED YACOUB @ Bengaluru

UNSCIENTIFIC road humps, a bane for motorists due to poor visibility resulting in sudden undulations, jerks, shocks and accidents, is being removed or rectified on priority. Till date, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike's (BBMP) Traffic Engineering Cell has removed 130 road humps across the city and levelled the roads.

Engineer-In-Chief BS Prahalad said the Palike has shared data of 427 road humps which were collected from each traffic station under Bengaluru Traffic Police limits.

"The Palike so far has fixed 130 such road humps and has now got another requisition from the traffic department that 103 road humps out of 427 are needed and they are as per standard. The only thing is visibility. We will add white paint and fix cat eye reflectors for visibility. As many as 14 unscientific humps come under the National Highways Authority of India and they have been communicated to fix

them. The Palike is left with 180 unscientific road humps which will be cleared by the end of this month," he said.

Traffic Commissioner M A Saleem said they gave the data to the civic body a few days ago as officers felt that such humps impact smooth traffic flow and also may result in tragedy. "Have received feedback that some of the humps have been cleared. We will have to check the claims," he added.

According to the data provided by the traffic police, the highest number of such unscientific and dangerous road humps are at Kumaraswamy Layout Traffic Station with 61 followed by Jalahalli Traffic Station (54) and Jayanagar Traffic Station (42). Banashankari Traffic Station has just one and Madiwala and Mico Layout Traffic stations have two such road humps.

The official said once the BBMP paints and adds reflectors at 103 humps, the number of unscientific road humps at some of the station limits will come down.



THE KING IS CROWNED

Fans of the Argentina football team watch the FIFA 2022 World Cup final match, in Bengaluru on Sunday. Argentina trumped defending champions France in a thrilling finale | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

K'taka mulls ban on mobiles in temples

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

TAKING a cue from Tamil Nadu, which is on course to ban use of mobile phones in temples following a recent Madras High Court order, Karnataka too is mulling a similar move.

Officials of the state's Hindu Religious Institutions and Charitable Endowments De-

partment are discussing banning mobile phones in all temples across the state after receiving many representations to do so, and the matter could be decided after the winter Assembly session.

A senior official said use of mobiles in temples increased when e-hundis were started during the pandemic. Most large temples like Tirumala do

not allow mobile phones.

Many of those seeking ban on mobiles in temples say that the phones can be misused to photograph and film the idols and other things which could lead to thefts, the official said.

Department Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri Dasari said the matter is still under discussion and no decision has been taken.

BENGALURU CANTONMENT RAIL STATION GETTING RS 525-CRORE FACELIFT

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

TO handle the increased transportation needs of the city, the Bengaluru Cantonment Railway Station is undergoing a major makeover. A sum of Rs 525 crore will be spent in two phases. In the first phase, it will be integrated with the upcoming suburban rail network and will have four additional platforms.

In Phase-1, the Bengaluru Cantonment yard will be remodelled at a cost of Rs 45 crore. The deadline for it is February 2023, according to an official release.

Four additional platforms and three additional lines will enable operation of more trains from/to this station and reduce the stress on KSR Bengaluru station. The remodelled yard will be integrated with the quadrupled section between Bengaluru

Cantonment and Whitefield. The yard will also be integrated with the suburban railway network for the facilitation of seamless mass transportation.

In addition, a Foot Over Bridge is being constructed which will connect Borebank Road to Netaji Road for the convenience of passengers and pedestrians.

In the second phase, the station building will be redeveloped making Bengaluru Can-



An artist's impression of how Cantonment station will look after its development



tonment a world-class airport-like terminal at a cost of Rs 480 crore. It will also become a city centre where commercial activities can happen 24x7, the release said.

Among the main developments planned are a fully air-conditioned 216 metre wide air-course, segregated arrival/departure points to avoid congestion, G+5 multi-level parking, roof plaza over the platforms with ear-

marked space for commercial activities such as retail outlets, food courts and infotainment zone. There will be seamless multi-modal integration with local public transport and well demarcated pick-up/drop zone.

New Delhi-based Varinder Construction Pvt Ltd was awarded the contract on December 12 this year with a deadline of 36 months to complete the project.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

19TH December: As you know, I'm excited by the prospect of water on the Moon, because that will make it easier for us to have holidays there! The latest news is that we have found water locked inside Moon rocks. Now, if we can unlock these resources, we could really have a promising situation. I am looking forward to gazing up and seeing people on the Moon!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

The Moon has now spread its emotional sway over all your relationships. The basic message is that there is no time for malingering, time-wasters and others who imagine they can leech off your goodwill for ever. If you're going to grant someone else a favour, make sure that they deserve it.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)

There does seem to be some cause for discretion today, although exactly why is not clear. If, on the other hand, you do decide to come clean, all the indications are that you'll receive a fair hearing. That, at least, has to be some consolation!

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

If you have been a mite frustrated or muddled as a result of partners' failure to see what was staring them in the face, you may hope that events will now take a turn for the better. Within a few days someone will claim that they knew what you were talking about all along!

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

The Moon's influence on the uppermost reaches of your solar chart should remind you that you were born under one of the so-called 'cardinal' signs, and that, as this suggests, you were born to lead, not to follow. But, if you want other people to do what they're told, you'd better be pleasant to them.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)

Although you are likely to receive some help and assistance today, when other people start lending a hand they may begin to take over. This is why you should first always double-check their apparent good advice. The last thing you want to do is move over while they make a mess of things!

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sept 23)

You need to know where to draw the line. Only if you take a much firmer stand now will other people respect you. As Mars approaches another relationship with your chart, partners will increasingly be demanding that you do things their way - and the pressure may be hard to resist.

LIBRA (Sept 24 - Oct 23)

The key to contentment lies in your ability to get on with people with whom you are increasingly being forced into very close contact. This advice, by the way, can include people you work with as much as people you live with. Don't wait until they see eye-to-eye with you.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 22)

Over the next two weeks you will show an increasing tendency to look on the bright side of life and, if you continue to believe that others are certain to help you on your way, they probably will do just that! Some prophecies are self-fulfilling, which is why optimism breeds success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23 - Dec 22)

Mercury and Mars' intelligent alignments indicate that, where you have gone ahead without consent, you must now reach a retrospective agreement. It is no use just pretending that other people have no right to be consulted. You've got to keep the min the picture.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)

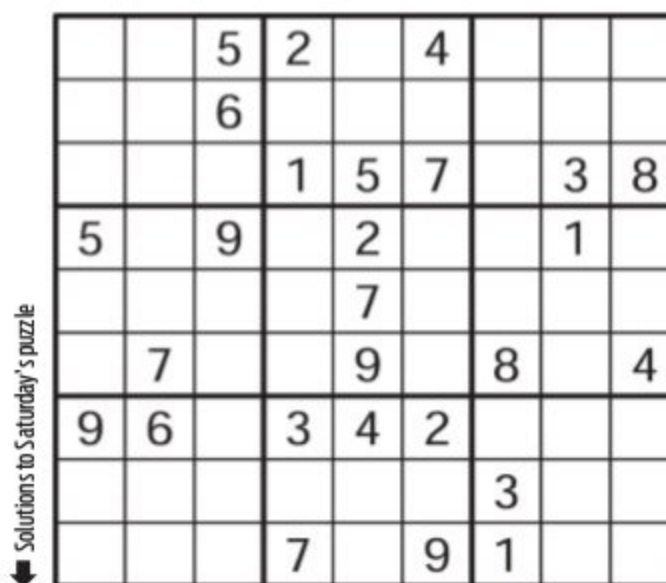
If there's one thing that's certain, it's that the Sun is but a short distance away from its passage into a whole new sector of your chart. This is why you may consider the virtues of keeping certain plans to yourself, perhaps even for another few months.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

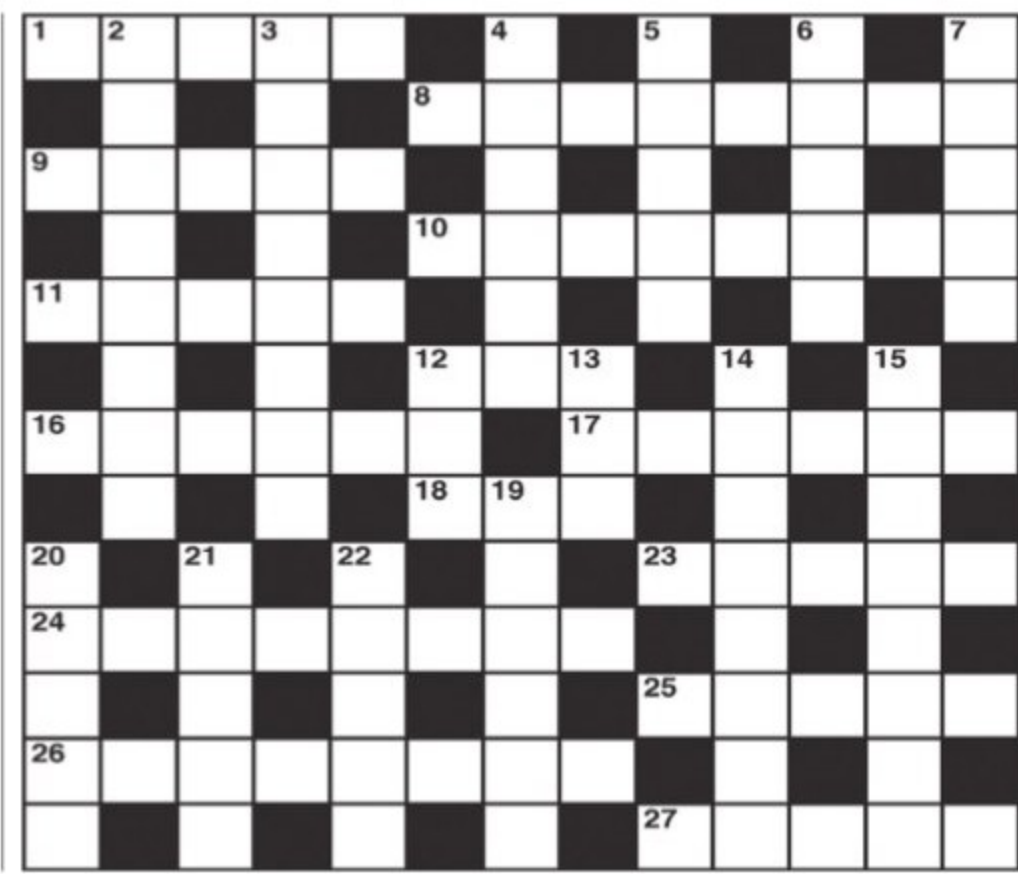
Superficially it looks like decision time, but no matter how hard others try to persuade you to make up your mind, it seems unlikely that any firm choices will be taken. Neither should they be. There's still more information to come along, so be patient.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

If you've been flogging a dead horse at work, you must now give it a rest. Otherwise it may come as a greater shock when you realise you've been heading very fast down the nearest cul-de-sac! Still, you can console yourself with the knowledge that no experience is wasted, and that you can learn valuable lessons from your mistakes!



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ACROSS

- Provoke audible quarrels (5)
- He has good taste to eat these when cooked (8)
- Upset to make light of (5)
- Resists offers (5,3)
- Ultimately refusing employment (5)
- An expression of disgust (3)
- Says they're south of Canada? (6)
- End of the memo about a girl (6)
- Wood used in model making (3)
- Number gets a fever that's ill-defined (5)
- Excel as a bootblack? (8)
- This by itself indicates equality (5)
- Indeed not all went (8)
- Accident on court? (5)

DOWN

- It comes in to fight on the other side (8)
- The quality of the sea Italy's in perhaps (8)
- Pertain to delay (6)
- Study abroad? (5)
- Cook hiding in safe London house (5)
- Poet takes a different view (5)
- Avail oneself of some sheep we hear (3)
- Theraps always show this border (3)
- Fast mail used for one's resignation (8)
- Question about the way speech is reported (2,6)
- With grounds for having ended a journey by air (6)
- By the sound of it gather a crowd (5)
- Remains top in points (5)
- Bleed electricity failure (5)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Matchmaker, 6 Fair, 10 Henry, 11 Enamoured, 12 Spaniels, 13 Mason, 15 Adheres, 17 Scatter, 19 Beguets, 21 Foreign, 22 Frank, 24 Analyst, 27 Accord, 28 Moira, 29 Star, 30 Celebrated.

Down: 1 Mail, 2 Troopship, 3 Haydn, 4 Ageless, 5 Elapses, 7 Anas, 8 Rod and line, 9 Commuter, 14 Pair of ears, 16 Rest cure, 18 Hair shirt, 20 Seasmile, 21 Finance, 23 Acra, 25 Lemur, 26 Hand.

JUMBLE

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK



UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.



Saturday's Jumbles: POISE, KNELT, CAVIAR, STINKY. Answer: It was easy to see the airport as they approached because it was now -- IN "PLANE" SITE.



Students present their ideas at the Raman Young Science Innovator competition in Bengaluru on Sunday | EXPRESS

Must make use of what's accessible, says ISRO ex-chief

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

FORMER Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) chairman A S Kiran Kumar said India will always stay behind if it focuses on using technology from advanced countries.

He was speaking at the Raman Young Science Innovator (RYSI) competition-cum-exhibition held at the Raman Research Institute (RRI) in Bengaluru on Sunday.

"Raman showed the Raman Effect through sunlight and a set of filters. He did not use any big gadgets or a lot of money, but only his intellectual capability and simple tools available in nature. This is the real problem for India. Today, if we have to follow what advanced countries have done, we will always be behind, because the newer technology, which is the driver, is not easy to make. But, if we can make use of what is accessible to use and use our intellectual capability, we can go ahead," he said.

He said India has shown its capabilities in solving this problem, especially with Covid-19. "India has shown it is capable so far. This is evi-

denced by our response during Covid time, ISRO's achievements and the boom in software companies. India has shown that it is capable of dealing with this problem, so our next generation has a tremendous opportunity. For India to become the largest economy, it is the next generation that needs to make it happen," he said.

The awards organised by both RRI and the Innovation and Science Promotion Foundation (ISPF) saw 800 students who had presented their ideas across the country. As many as 87 finalists were selected and flown to Bengaluru to present their ideas to a team of judges from various institutes, including the Indian Institute of Astrophysics (IIA).

"People say that learning by doing is necessary to foster critical and scientific thinking as a way of life. However, as children, it is natural to be scientific and questioning, but socio-cultural compulsions, advertising and too much exposure to gadgets stifles those trends. Scientific thinking is absolutely essential in whatever one wants to excel in," said Dr Prajval Shastri, astrophysicist and one of the judges.

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A S Kiran Kumar, ISRO ex-chairman

Six-month-old gets new lease of life

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Belagavi

THE Gift of life programme of Rotary Foundation has given new lease of life to Amar, a six-month-old orphan baby, who was born with heart defect known as Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA) and had to undergo surgery, at KLES Hospital in Belagavi.

Amar was suffering from PDA in which an abnormal blood flow was occurring between two of the major arteries connected to the heart. This condition was putting strain on the heart and increasing blood pressure in his lungs. The baby had difficulty in breathing with poor weight and poor activities.

Dr Gananjay Salve, Australian trained Paediatric Cardiac Surgeon, performed the surgery and did the PDA correction. Baby withstood the surgery well and was discharged from hospital. The two-hour



The team of doctors along with the 6-month-old orphan baby who had a heart surgery at KLES Hospital in Belagavi

long surgery involved ligate (tie) the PDA under controlled hypotension (low BP) through left chest approach. Dr Salve said, "If not treated, PDA may lead to long-term lung damage. It can also damage the blood vessels in the lungs. But this is not common because most children will have been treated for their PDA before the lungs and blood vessels get damaged."

Rotary Foundation funded the surgery under the Gift of life programme. This is the 6th

child which is funded by Rotary foundation under the programme.

Dr Manisha Bhandankar, Dr Veeresh Manvi diagnosed the child and referred for surgery. Dr Nidhi Manvi Goel, managed the child post operatively. Dr Anand Vagrali gave anaesthesia support during surgery. Dr Col Dayanand, Medical Director of the hospital thanked the benevolent gesture of Rotary Foundation for their contributions in saving the baby.

Tiger dies in territorial fight, miscreants take away head, claws

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THE decomposed carcass of a tiger, with its head and claws missing, was found near the Kali Tiger Reserve recently. Forest department officials, however, said the big cat died in a territorial fight, and some miscreants found the dead animal and took the head and claws.

This is the first time in the last three years that a tiger carcass was found at Nankesarodga village in Barchi range.

The missing head and claws initially raised suspicion that the tiger was poached. However,

senior forest officials clarified that the animal was killed in a territorial fight. "The tiger died in a territorial fight. It is a male tiger. There are claw injuries on its body and the post mortem report said that the animal had a broken spinal cord, which usually happens during a territorial fight," Vasanth Reddy, Conservator of Forests, Uttara Kannada, told TNIE.

According to officials, some miscreants found the dead tiger and might have taken away the head and claws. "We have registered a case as per the wildlife Protection Act 1972 as the tiger is protected under Schedule 1



Forest officials with the carcass of the tiger near Kali Tiger Reserve | EXPRESS

Guard, worker killed at builder's house in Koramangala

Criminals gag one victim, tie his limbs & smother him to death; Dump another body in sump; Cops suspect insiders

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UNIDENTIFIED criminals murdered two persons, a worker and a security guard, at the house of a builder in Koramangala and decamped with cash and gold valuables. The police, suspecting the role of insiders, have launched a manhunt for the killers.

The deceased have been identified as Kariyappa, a worker, and Dil Bahadur, the guard who hailed from Assam, who were employed at the residence of Rajagopal Reddy in Koramanga 6th Block.

The police said Reddy and his family members had gone out for a family function on Saturday and only the guard and the worker were there at home. When the cook came for work on Sunday morning, he found the main door open and Kariyappa's body inside the house. He looked for the guard who was missing and immediately reported the matter to the owner and the police.

"The criminals had gagged Kariyappa, tied his limbs and smothered him to death. They have ransacked the house look-



(From left) Kariyappa and Dil Bahadur

ing for valuables. As the guard was missing, initially he was suspected to be behind the murder and a police team was getting ready to leave for Assam. However, while conducting the spot mahazar, Dil Bahadur's body was also found in the

sump. The killers had put his body there and had closed the lid," an officer said, adding that Bahadur was working at Reddy's house for the last few years.

Reddy told the police that the miscreants have escaped with Rs 5 lakh cash and 30 grams of gold valuables.

"Special teams have been formed to trace the killers. It is suspected that someone who

knew about Reddy's family is behind the incident as it took place when the family members were away. Also, the possibility that one of the deceased might have told the assailants that the family won't be there and they planning the murders for gain cannot be ruled out. We are gathering all necessary information to crack the case soon," the police added.

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Police



Author and philanthropist Sudha Murty at the launch of her new book Gopi's Diaries in Koramangala on Sunday | NAGARAJ GADEKAL

5 try to export antique Buddha idol, held

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THE Sampangirama Nagar police have arrested five persons who were allegedly trying to export an antique idol of Buddha, which is estimated to be around 200 years old.

The accused have been identified as Panchamarti Raghurama Choudhari alias P Raghuram (45), a resident of Hyderabad, Uday Kumar (37) of Horamavu, Freddy D'Souza (44) of Vivekna-

gar, Sharan Nayar (41) of Henur Bande and Prasanna MK (39) of Kothanur.

Police said they received a tip-off that some persons were trying to sell an antique idol of Buddha near Woodlands hotel and a police team swung into action and nabbed five persons. They had no documents to prove that the idol belonged to them lawfully and hence they were arrested, and a 38cm idol of Buddha was seized.

"When questioned, Raghuram revealed that he had purchased the

idol from one Srikanth, a resident of Hyderabad, for Rs. 30 lakh. As such idols have huge demand in foreign countries, he had planned to find a buyer who can export the idol. He had also asked the other accused persons to look for potential buyers. Further, it is found that the idol was stolen from somewhere and a probe is on to find out the same," the police added.

The accused have been booked under various sections of the IPC and the Antiquities and Art Treasures Act 1972.

Clear mosquito breeding spots to fight Zika: Experts

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WITH the first case of Zika virus in Karnataka, doctors have advised that mosquito breeding grounds be eradicated in the city.

The rainy season extends to seven to eight months in Bengaluru, and like every year, the city has been witnessing dengue cases. Dr Lakshminath Suddekunte from KC General Hospital said that they have been seeing two to three cases every day over six months now.

Since Zika virus is a vector-borne disease and can be spread by dengue causing mosquitoes as well, Dr Suddekunte advised to remove all possible mosquito breeding grounds in the city.

Dr Nawed Azam, a paediatric consultant, Intensive Care Services, explained that Zika is closely related to dengue, yellow fever,

Japanese encephalitis (brain fever) and West Nile viruses. It is transmitted through the bite of an infected Aedes species mosquito which is also responsible for causing dengue.

Doctors have emphasised on cleaning up the stagnant water or spraying larvicidal oil over collected water. They even suggested parents make their children wear full-sleeved clothes and use mosquito repellent creams. Using household protection measures such as bed nets, window screens, repellents, coils and vaporisers is also advised.

In lieu of Zika virus, doctors have also suggested screening pregnant women with suspected Zika virus exposure. Screening the mother while the baby is still in the womb or when newly born can give doctors knowledge for any deformity, or even hearing loss and eye defects.

Docs not in favour of teleconsultations

NAMRATA SINDWANI AND AKNISREE KARTHIK
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TELECONSULTATIONS, which gained popularity during the pandemic, has continued as patients are availing digital platforms for medical consultations. However, many doctors are not in favour of online consultations.

Dr Kalpajit Banik, a doctor from Bengaluru and ex-member of Indian Medical Association (IMA) said that the concept of telemedicine was present pre-pandemic as well in Bengaluru. The system has now become more organised with technology and several digital consulting platforms have blossomed in the last 2-3 years.

Few doctors have said that patients prefer digital consultations as it is cheaper than in-person consultations especially for ailments which are not serious.

Dr Rohan Krishnan, president, Federation of All India Medical Association (FAIMA), does not favour digital consultations. He opined that it is not completely trustworthy and cannot be compared with the accuracy of an in-person examination of the patient. During the pandemic, it was not possible hence teleconsultations were promoted to maintain social distancing.

He also said that online consultations is an added source of income for doctors who in the comfort of their homes can counsel patients. Dr Krishnan added that tele-consultations should be limited to emergency cases only.

A dermatologist based in South Bengaluru said that teleconsultation services started during the pandemic, and now people are preferring it to save travel or waiting time.

He offered online consultations on demand basis through a phone or video call and took note of the history, duration, symptoms and then addressed the problem. However, he also said that many people still continue to prefer in-person consultations.

A member of IMA Junior Doctor Network explained that the tele-consultations had both positive and negative aspects. Telemedicine has made services available to people in remote areas as well wherein they can save travel cost and time as well. However, he said that there are possible chances of medical negligence as well if patients are not consulted properly.

EXPRESS READ

1,600 e-cigarettes seized from 2 intl passengers

Bengaluru: The Air Intelligence Unit of Bengaluru Customs has foiled an attempt by two international passengers to smuggle 1,600 imported e-cigarettes valued at 33.6 lakh into Bengaluru from Dubai. According to sources, Customs officials had inputs on the concealment in the checked-in baggage of the duo travelling by an Emirates flight on December 14. "The seized bags contained 160 boxes with each one containing 10 cigarettes."

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Restraining order against Maha MP's visit to B'gavi today

He plans to attend MMES' Maha Melava

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DEPUTY Commissioner of Belagavi, Nitesh Patil has issued a restraining order under CrPC Section 144 (3) against Maharashtra MP **Dhairyasheel Mane** from entering Belagavi district, after he sent a letter to Belagavi Police Commissioner comprising his plan for the district visit on Monday, seeking necessary arrangements for his Y-plus category security.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah had asked the chief ministers of Karnataka and Maharashtra to wait for the Supreme Court verdict on the Karnataka-Maharashtra border dispute, but Mane, who is chief of Maharashtra-Karnataka border dispute expert committee, has planned to visit Belagavi on Monday, and also attend Maha Melava to be organised by the Madhyavarti Maharashtra Ekikaran Samiti (MMES) on the opening day of the winter session in Belagavi.

His tour plan revealed that he is scheduled to attend Maha Melava at 11.30 am at the Vaccine Depot ground and return to Kolhapur from Belagavi at 1.30 pm.

Anticipating that there could be provocative speeches that could disturb the peace and harmony in the area, where the winter session will be ongoing, Patil under section 144 (3) has issued the restraining order dated 19 December to take action and prevent Mane's entry into the district.

Meanwhile, MMES has been gearing up to hold the Maha Melava to oppose the state government for conducting the winter session in Belagavi. The city police are also ensuring that all security arrangements are in place to avert any untoward incident.

Former MLA Manohar Kinekar, a senior leader of MMES, said that their decision to hold the convention cannot be changed. "If the Karnataka government can hold the Assembly session, why can't a parallel assembly session be allowed?" he said.

MMES has already requested permission from the district administration, he said. The CM Bommai said MMES has been engaged in linguistic disputes for more than 50 years, creating disturbance in Karnataka-Maharashtra border areas. He said the government is focusing on maintaining law and order.



A police officer at the control room at Suvarna Vidhana Soudha in Belagavi on Sunday, where winter session will begin on Monday

Cong Vokkaliga leaders meet Adi Chunchanagiri seer

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A delegation of Vokkaliga leaders from Congress called on Adi-chunchanagiri Mutt seer Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji at the Mutt's branch at Vijayanagara here on Sunday evening. They held deliberations over the community's struggle for the hike in the quota from 4% to 12% proportionate to the population.

"We extended the support of Congress Vokkaliga leaders for the struggle and sought Swamiji's leadership," said ex-minister N Chaluvarayyaswamy. A bete noire of ex-PM HD Deve Gowda, Chaluvarayyaswamy alleged that none of the family members of JDS patriarch, including HD Kumaraswamy and HD Revanna, attended the meeting of community leaders recently.

Congress leaders, including RS member GC Chandrashekar, former ministers Kimmannathnagar, TB Jayachandra, Krishna Byregowda, M Krishnappa, MLCs Ravi, Dinesh Gooligowda and former MLA Vasu, were part of the delegation. Recently, Vokkaliga leaders from Congress met at a private hotel to chalk out a strategy to back the community for hike in quota.

BJP's 24 cells meet, top brass says party supreme

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BJP conducted its 'Sakti Sangama' convention, where members of 24 different cells of the party attended on Sunday at the Palace Grounds. Top leaders from the party, including Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, party national general secretary (organisation) BL Santhosh and former chief minister BS Yediyurappa, put up a united front at the convention.

The event, the brainchild of Santhosh, gave a clear message that the party is supreme and

there is no scope for dynasty politics. Yediyurappa asked the new generation of leaders and workers to recall the days when the party had a mere two seats, and built itself to what it's today.

General Secretary CT Ravi asked the participants to hail PM Narendra Modi, but the crowd chanted Yediyurappa's name. "Given the enthusiasm of party workers, BJP's win here is assured. Karnataka was a milking cow for Congress before 2014 as it gave a mere Rs 834 crore for the Railways. Modi has

granted Rs 6,091 crore," Vaishnaw said. He felt taking the Datta Peetha issue to its logical end and a hike in SC/ST quota will be a game changer.

On the suburban rail project in Bengaluru, he said land acquisition is on and will be completed soon. "We won't spend Rs 250-300 crore/km like in most modern projects, but it will be taken up at Rs 70-80 crore through innovation of our engineering staff."

On Vande Bharat Express, he said the tracks will be designed to run the trains at 160 kmph

gradually. "The Railways is covering the lost ground in freight transport that had been lost to road transport. Hydrogen-powered trains will roll out by next year," he said. On former BJP minister Suresh Kumar's letter on children falling victim to gaming addiction, he said, "The Centre will come up with a new law as many states have expressed concerns."

Yediyurappa said if Congress is defeated in the coming polls, it will bite the dust in the entire country as the surveys indicated that 70% of the people of the country have favoured Modi.



Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, BJP state chief Nalin Kumar Kateel and former CM BS Yediyurappa at the Palace Grounds on Sunday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Congress united, says DKS

Hubballi: Trying to tamp down speculation that there are differences between CLP leader Siddaramaiah and him, Congress state president DK Shivakumar said here on Sunday that the party is united. Arriving at the Hubballi Airport, Shivakumar said he is not the only one who takes decisions on the Assembly polls in the party and he shares his ideas with Siddaramaiah and other senior leaders for the benefit of the party. The party election committee will organise a meeting in Belagavi on Sunday night and will decide on scrutinising applications sent by ticket aspirants, he added. "A bus yatra will be organised in some districts to take up burning issues like Kalasa Banduri and others. The rally will be held in Vijayapura on December 30, at Navalgund on January 2 and Chitradurga on January 8," he said. On the Mangaluru blast case, he said the police have come to a conclusion even before the investigation. The party and he are against any terror activity, he said.

SRIRAMULU IN A FIX

Reddy's comeback keeps BJP on its toes

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BJP is now fighting a precarious situation. Janardhan Reddy, the formidable former BJP minister, who had disappeared from political firmament, has now resurfaced.

It is no secret that BJP is keeping a tab on Reddy. He was the primary reason behind Transport Minister B Sriramulu's visit to New Delhi, two days ago.

The central leadership met Sriramulu, and brainstormed on the possible fallout if Reddy floats a separate party, in his so-called second innings.

The BJP will also be closely watching the devel-

opments of his meeting with powerful Swamiji of Siddaganga Mutt, on December 19, as the winter session begins in Belagavi.

What will be discussed and why is the pontiff meeting him is important. On December 20, he meets the pontiff of the Siddharoodha Mutt in Hubballi, and next day, he is scheduled to visit the Gaddage of Tontadarya Swamiji and Puttaraja Gawai in Gadag.

All these moves indicate that Reddy is planning something big politically.

On December 21, he has sent out invitations for an important meeting of those

leaders who are close to him, and many of them are local leaders from the BJP from Ballari, Vijayanagara, Raichur and adjoining areas. BJP will be keeping a tab on the leaders attending the meeting. On December 22, he will be participating in Durgadevi Jatru, and in Gangavathi, he will be meeting prominent persons. On Sunday, he is expected to clear the air about his future political plans. His once dear friend Sriramulu has been under pressure as the BJP is bracing for a possible fallout with the powerful Reddy who, sources said, can harm the BJP in a few districts. It was Sriramulu who with the BSR party and the support of Reddy, garnered more than 4.5 per cent vote share in 2018 polls.

STRAWS IN THE WIND

Will Nikhil break through Chakravyuha?

It was 2016 and Nikhil Kumaraswamy was releasing the music of his Kannada and Telugu bilingual movie Jaguar at Ramanagara. To heighten the drama, Nikhil was made to disappear into the crowd and his father HD Kumaraswamy called out from the dais: 'Nikhil Yellidiyappa' (Where are you Nikhil?). The catchphrase instantly caught people's imagination, more for negative reasons than positive. When Nikhil lost the Lok Sabha elections from Mandya 3 years later, JDS detractors used it to taunt the JDS first family. Now that he has been finalised to contest the 2023 polls from Ramanagara, the Assembly seat that has been sacrificed by his mother Anitha, the question on everyone's mind is will he win this one. However, there was a word of caution from Kumaraswamy: "The Ramanagara seat is not that easy to tackle. Nikhil has to win the hearts of people to emerge as a leader by breaking through the 'chakravyuha' as there will be conspirators as well." He could just be referring to the mythical character Abhimanyu which is played by Nihil in Kurukshetra.

Aviva's Kannada a big issue for people from Mandya

When Rebel Star Ambareesh's son Abhishek got engaged to fashion designer Prasad Bidapa's daughter Aviva recently, the question on the minds of people from Mandya was, can she speak Kannada. Soon, a video promising to show Aviva "talking" in Kannada started doing the rounds. But except the title, the video was entirely in English, disappointing the curious lot from Mandya. The messaging has become important ahead of the Assembly polls as Abhishek's mother wants him to contest from the Mandya seat. She expects him to benefit from his father's legacy who hailed from Doddarasinakere in Maddur taluk of Mandya district.

PM to inaugurate Energy Week in B'luru

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR @Haveri

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi is set to inaugurate the India Energy Week 2023 in Karnataka in February next year, said Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai. Speaking after inaugurating 3,000 KLPD Ethanol and sugar factory of VIN Distilleries and Sugars Private Limited at Konanakeri village in Shiggaon taluk of Haveri district on Sunday, he said around 10,000 delegates from India and abroad will attend the event.

The central government has decided to hold the event in Bengaluru as it has the highest R&D centres, Bommai said.

"Two ethanol factories are functioning in Sankur and Hirekerur in Haveri district and some more will come up. Permissions will be given for factories to help farmers and create



Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai greets Vivek Hebbar, son of Labour Minister Shivaram Hebbar on Sunday | EXPRESS

jobs for locals," he said. "Karnataka has been a progressive state and the future of the country will be written here," he added.

Bommai said the contributions of Minister Murgesh Nirani has made the state the largest manufacturer of sugar, alcohol and ethanol. He also hailed Labour Minister Shivaram Hebbar for setting up industries in this sector. "He is working toward

providing direct jobs to around 500 people and indirect jobs to 2,000 to 3,000. The cane crushing capacity is 300 KLPD and it has a distillery too, with which ethanol is produced," Bommai said.

"Biofuel has been given importance. The 10% target for 2024 has been achieved in the current year. It has been decided to add 25% by 2025 which will cut 20% oil import," he said.

EXPRESS READ

Hike in honorarium for gram panchayat members

BENGALURU: In an effort to woo thousands of gram panchayat members ahead of the Assembly polls next year, the state government has increased monthly honorarium of president, vice-president and the members. As per the 2017 order, at present, a president of a gram panchayat gets an honorarium of Rs 3,000 per month, Rs 2,000 for vice-president, Rs 1,000 for members, which has now been increased to Rs 6,000, Rs 4,000 and Rs 2,000 per month respectively. The finance department has approved it, and will be in effect from December 18, said the order.

PROFIT FOR MILLS, LEAN GAIN FOR CANE GROWERS

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR AND
ASHWINI M SRIPAD

DESPITE being one of the largest producers of sugarcane in the country, Karnataka has failed to help lakhs of sugarcane growers wriggle out of the long-drawn crisis. Sugar factories in the state are flourishing and getting richer over the years riding on the bumper sugarcane produce, but cane growers are in a deep crisis due to the government's inability to ensure a suitable price for their produce.

At the cost of cane growers' hard work, the sugar industry has become lucrative in recent years. Recently, the state government received 49 applications for licenses to launch new sugar factories. One can imagine the profits that 78 functioning sugar factories in the state are earning from crushing sugarcane and producing byproducts.

Many factories, controlled by influential leaders including MLAs and MPs, have deprived cane growers a suitable price for cane. "The government collects over Rs 10,000 crore in taxes annually from the state's sugar industry. If sugar factories cannot pay at least Rs 3,500 per tonne of cane, the growers appeal to the government to pay them some amount from the whopping taxes it collects," says Karnataka State Sugarcane Farmers' Association president Kurubur Shanthakumar.

Cane growers in Punjab get Rs 3,800 per tonne, in UP it is Rs 3,500 and in Gujarat Rs 4,400. On top of that, growers in these states also get additional money for transport and harvest, said Shanthakumar. "In Karnataka, the growers get a meagre

amount despite the average sugar recovery rate being over 10.5 kg (for each tonne of cane) as compared to less than 10 kg sugar recovery in UP, Maharashtra, Punjab, Haryana and Gujarat," he pointed out.

A large number of farmers in Bengaluru and Mysuru are on an indefinite strike over the last 21 days demanding Rs 3,500 as fair and remunerative price (FRP) from the factories. "A few days ago, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai discussed the issue with the growers, but no solution has been found. We will continue our dharna," he said.

The sugar lobby, controlled by influential politicians, has been so strong that the government is helpless in doing justice to the growers. The farmers feel lawmakers are eventually the law-breakers. "The growers are cheated when sugarcane is weighed at factories, prices are fixed, sugar recovery rate are decided etc. The growers have no choice but to protest for their rights," says cane grower Arun Patil.

CANE GROWERS PROTEST AT SUVARNA SOUDHA

A delegation of sugarcane growers from Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and UP, along with MPs of respective states will meet Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on December 20 to ensure justice for cane growers, sources said. They will primarily demand Tomar to help fix a suitable price for cane based on what the factories earn in profits.

Cane growers from Karnataka have set December 23 as the deadline for the government to meet their demands. They have



FACT FILE

There are 92 sugar factories in the state of which, 78 are operational	Cane growers demand Rs 3,500 per tonne for cane	In 2021-22, the 78 factories processed 622.26 lakh metric tonnes of sugarcane, produced 59.78 lakh metric tonnes of sugar
Average sugar recovery rate is 10.5 in K'taka which is best in the country		
In 2022, the government received 49 applications for setting up new sugar factories	Government collects Rs 10,000 crore in taxes from sugar mills annually	

INDIA SUGARCANE STATS

Uttar Pradesh is the highest producer of sugarcane with average production of **135.64 MT**

UP, Karnataka and Maharashtra together contribute **80** per cent of total cane production in India



Farmers in Punjab get Rs 3,800 per tonne of cane from sugar factories there. In Uttar Pradesh, farmers get Rs 3,500 per tonne while in Gujarat, farmers are paid Rs 4,400 per tonne by sugar mills. In Karnataka, growers get a meagre amount despite the average sugar recovery rate being more than 10.5 kg (for a tonne of cane)

— Kurubur Shanthakumar, Karnataka Sugarcane Growers' Association

In response to complaints lodged by cane growers about factories cheating them, simultaneous raids were conducted on 21 sugar mills in six districts by the departments of Sugar, Food and Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs and the police recently. The raids turned out to be an eyewash. Growers are urging the government to let them know what was the outcome of the raids

— Siddagouda Modagi, member, Karnataka Sugar Control Board

The Telangana government will deposit Rs 7,600 crore in the bank accounts of around 65 lakh farmers under the Rythu Bandhu scheme from December 28 for Rabi crop. Chief Minister K Chandrababhan Naidu on Sunday gave directions to Finance Minister T Harish Rao in this regard

decided to stage an agitation near Suvarna Vidhana Soudha in Belagavi on December 26 when the winter session is on. "Cane growers from across the state will throng Suvarna Vidhana Soudha on that day," said Shanthakumar.

MEETINGS IN VAIN

Members of the Karnataka Sugarcane Growers Association have met Bommai and Sugar Minister Shankar Munenakoppa over the last one week, but no logical solution has come up.

Munenakoppa directed sugar mill owners to give farmers Rs 50 per tonne from the profits earned from byproducts. This amount which comes on top of the FRP has failed to impress the growers and they have called it a mere eyewash. During their ongoing protest, they also burnt the copy of the order.

Shanthakumar said, "Farmers are burdened with huge debts. They are also bearing the cost of harvesting and transporting their produce, while factories are expected to take care of them. We demand at least Rs 200 per tonne from the profits earned by factories, and not just Rs 50."

Bommai, during the meeting at his official residence, assured farmers that he will help them get a good share of profits earned by factories.

But the growers said, "The government should give this in writing and increase the amount given to us." Earlier this week, when farmers were heading towards the G20 meeting venue near Devanahalli, Bengaluru, to stage a protest, the police detained them.

FACTORIES RAIDED

Based on complaints by cane growers that they were being cheated by factories, 21 sugar mills in six districts across the state were simultaneously raided by officials from the Departments of Sugar, Food and Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs and the police.

State president of the Bharatiya Krishi Samaj and member of Karnataka Sugarcane Control Board Siddagouda Modagi called the raids an eyewash and said raids failed to expose the lapses of sugar factories.

Several growers asked the

government to reveal the outcome of the raids, and said the entire process of cheating by factories should be exposed. "Why can't factories weigh sugarcane on the same weighbridge where sugar is weighed by them inside the factories," Modagi asked.

WHOPPING 622 MT CANE CRUSHED IN 2022

Sources said of the 92 sugar factories in the state, 78 are operational. In 2022, they produced 59.78 MT of sugar by crushing 622.26 MT of sugarcane. In North Karnataka, sugarcane is mainly grown in Belagavi, Bagalkot and Vijayapura districts, and in the South, it is in Mandya.

'NO SHORTAGE OF SUGARCANE'

The sugarcane yield from North Karnataka has been satisfactory in 2021-22. All the 42 sugar factories in Belagavi, Bagalkot and Vijayapura districts recorded bumper production and profits, but the growers have not been paid suitably. The guidelines from the government are not being followed by factories or officials, Modagi complained.

As per the Sugar Control Act, 1966, factories should clear the bills of growers within 14 days of receiving cane from them, but it is not being done. If there is any delay, factories are expected to settle the bills along with 15 per cent interest. Modagi suggested that the government digitise the process of sugarcane deals by developing a mobile app.

Already, the Uttar Pradesh government is using an app, where cane growers are sent alerts. "A message is flashed on cane growers' mobiles once their sugarcane is ready to be harvested. Later, farmers are kept informed till they get their payments," said Modagi.

There is ambiguity over the cost of transporting cane in Karnataka, resulting in losses for farmers. "In Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu, the government bears the transport cost of cane up to 30 km. There is no such system in Karnataka," he said.

Tribe protests forced eviction by forest dept

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JENU Kuruba, a tribe whose traditional occupation is honey gathering, staged a protest on Sunday against their "forced eviction" from the Nagarhole Tiger Reserve by the forest department.

Seven members of the tribe protest with placards at the Green Literature Festival held at the Bangalore International Centre, stating that under the guise of conservation, tribals who have been living in forests for ages, have been threatened, harassed and relocated.

"We are facing constant harassment and forced evictions by the forest department. NGOs like Wildlife Conservation Society are supporting relocations by projecting that we are living under constant fear of wildlife, which is not the case. We are fighting against the WWF's conservation model," said Shivu J A, a Jenu Kuruba youth leader, who took part in the protest.



Pinarayi says sat mapping report not final

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kannur

CHIEF Minister Pinarayi Vijayan on Sunday sought to allay fears expressed by certain quarters on the buffer zone issue, making it clear that the satellite mapping report is not final as the state government is convinced that it has some flaws.

The government's stand is that people in the inhabited areas should not be disturbed and they be allowed to continue to live peacefully where they live now, he said inaugurating the State Keralolsavam in Kannur. "But some people are deliberately creating confusion on the

issue by misinterpreting the government stand and trying to take advantage of the situation," Pinarayi said.

The government was ready to present its views in the Supreme Court on how the apex court's verdict would affect people, he said, adding, "we had also brought the issue before the Union government." However, the state government had to submit a report in accordance with a court order. It was in this connection that the government had conducted the satellite survey. "It was done with the best of intentions," the CM said.

"But the government is convinced that the survey couldn't include all the details. So, we have taken a stand that the survey result is not final," Pinarayi said.

Hence, an expert committee, headed by Justice Thottathil Radhakrishnan, was appointed to conduct a study on the special characteristics of the local regions, he said. As part of this, local bodies were given the opportunity to express their concerns on ward basis.

"This is how the government works, as we want to do this in a crystal clear way," he said. "But, some people have been

continuously trying to create an impression that, everything is wrong with the government. There are clear intentions behind such campaigns. People should be able to understand this," he added.

Meanwhile, the Kerala Karshaka Athijeevana Samyuktha Samithi (KKASS) announced an indefinite stir demanding immediate withdrawal of the satellite survey report. Thamarassery Bishop Remigiose Inchananiyil, who heads the Samithi, said the protest will be staged at Koorachund in Kozhikode, the worst hit by the buffer zone proposal.



BIG FEAT

Karnataka Governor Thawar Chand Gehlot felicitated the Indian national blind cricket team for winning the Blind Cricket T20 World Cup by beating Bangladesh at Raj Bhavan on Sunday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS READ

K'taka to run spl buses to Kerala for X'mas

T'Puram: Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) will operate additional bus services from Mysuru and Bengaluru to different locations in Kerala during Christmas vacation, from December 21 to 24. The special buses from Mysuru Road Satellite Bus Station and Shanthinagar Bus Station in Bengaluru will be operated to Kannur, Kozhikode, Ernakulam, Palakkad, Thrissur, Kottayam, Thiruvananthapuram among others. Online reservation has begun. ENS

Kamal Haasan to join Rahul's Bharat Jodo Yatra

Chennai: Actor and Makkal Needhi Maiam president Kamal Haasan on Sunday said he would take part in the Bharat Jodo Yatra led by Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on December 24 in Delhi. According to the party, Haasan, addressing office-bearers here, said he has been invited by Rahul Gandhi to participate in the Yatra. MNM spokesperson Murali Appas told PTI that party workers, led by their leader Haasan, would take part in the Gandhi-led foot march in the national capital. ENS

Conservation journalist Ramky passes away, activists mourn

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Karwar

WELL known conservation journalist Ramakrishnan Srinivasan, who has worked for the cause of wildlife conservation breathed his last after battling cancer for several years.

Ramakrishnan popularly known as Ramky was a software engineer, who decided to come out of his lucrative job

to pledge himself for conservation, wildlife photography and bird watching. He soon became a crusader for wildlife.

The co-founder of a magazine Conservation India, which mainly showcased the conservation activities in India. The magazine worked for various pertinent issues, of which the protection of Amur Falcons and Narcandum Hornbill are the prominent ones.

"He was instrumental in preventing culling of Amur Falcons by the locals in the North Eastern region of the country. He along with activists Shashank Dalvi and Bano Harlu campaigned rigorously. They worked with locals in Nagaland to ensure the stoppage of lakhs of wildlife animals from being culled. Because of their work, the killing has significantly re-

duced," informed Sugandhi, a wildlife film maker.

Santosh Martin, wildlife activist, pointed out about how Ramky highlighted the issue of the last Great Indian Bustard, which disappeared from Siruguppa in Ballari.

"He started an online campaign to save bustards. He also campaigned to save Narcandam Hornbills in Andaman Island," he said.



K'TAKA NOW BRACES FOR A BATTLE OVER SOUTH PENNAR

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AFTER facing disputes over Krishna, Cauvery and Mahadayi rivers, the state is now bracing for yet another legal battle, now over the South Pennar river waters.

South Pennar or Ponnaiyar or Pinakini originates in Nandi Hills near Bengaluru and flows into the Bay of Bengal through Tamil Nadu after crossing Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh.

The river carries 62 tmcft of water, while its catchment is spread across 16,000 sqkm and around 500 sqkm of which is in Karnataka. Tamil Nadu has raised a dispute under the Inter State River Water Disputes Act by objecting to a 0.5 tmcft storage facility being built along the Markandeya river, which is a tributary of South Pennar. The facility, which is around 80 per cent complete, aims to supply water to Malur, Bangarpet and Kolar and about 48 villages in the adjoining areas. Tamil Nadu complains that the project violates an 1890 agreement.

In retort, Karnataka has stated that the stone masonry is meant for drinking water purpose and not for irrigation as Tamil Nadu is alleging. Karnataka has also said the water flowing across a network of tanks in adjoining areas is treated sewage water and not water from the river. Two meetings have already been held to resolve the issue, but Tamil Nadu is insisting that the storage facility be demolished.

A senior advocate on the Karnataka team, Mohan Katarki, told TNIE, "Karnataka is steadfastly opposed to the formation of an inter-state tribunal and adversarial resolution of South Pennar water dispute by applying a hard and fast rule. Even after utilisation of 7 tmcft by Karnataka in its drought-prone areas for drinking water needs and dry irrigation, about 4 tmcft goes to Tamil Nadu. What more does Tamil Nadu want? Tamil Nadu should sign an agreement, instead of breaking its head before the Tribunal."

Water Resources Minister Govind Karjol said, "The project is only for drinking water and not for irrigation. Tamil Nadu is unnecessarily raising this issue. What they are doing is not right."

River water disputes take arduously long to resolve and the Cauvery dispute dragged on for decades before a solution was arrived at. How long will the Pinakini river dispute take to be resolved?

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BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

1. On behalf of President of India, item rate tender is invited for the following work.

Description	Details	Details
Name of work	Replacement of 4 Nos. of Passenger lifts & 01 No. Dumbwater including 5 years AMC at URSC Main Campus, Vimanapura, Bangalore-560017.	Replacement of Kitchen Exhaust Ducts and Cleaning of SS Chimney Hoods at Main Canteen, Main Campus, Vimanapura, Bangalore-560017.
E-Tender Notice No.	URSC/C and MG/ACMD/LIFTS/1030/ETN-88M/2022-23 dated: 12.12.2022	URSC/C and MG/ACMD/0021/ETN-04/2022-23 dated: 12.12.2022
Estimated cost put to tender	₹ 115.90 Lakhs	₹ 6.43 Lakhs
Tender Document details	E-Tender	E-Tender
Period of completion in months reckoned from the 15th day of date of issue of work order	270 Days	90 Days
Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	From 10:30 Hrs. on 19.12.2022 to 16:30Hrs. on 02.01.2023	From 10:30 Hrs. on 19.12.2022 to 16:30Hrs. on 02.01.2023
Bid clarification	From 11:00 Hrs. on 19.12.2022 to 17:00 Hrs. on 04.01.2023	From 11:00 Hrs. on 19.12.2022 to 17:00 Hrs. on 04.01.2023
Last date and time of reply to Bid clarification	Upto 17:00Hrs on 06.01.2023	Upto 17:00Hrs on 06.01.2023
Last date and time for receipt of tenders	Upto 14:30 Hrs. on 13.01.2023	Upto 14:30 Hrs. on 13.01.2023
Due date and time of opening of tenders	After 15:00 Hrs. on 13.01.2023	After 15:00 Hrs. on 13.01.2023
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs 2.31,800/- (Validity for 180 days)	Rs 12,860/- (Validity for 180 days)

2. Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: www.isro.gov.in and download the tender documents from www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO

Sd/-, Group Director (Construction & Maintenance Group)

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 (Under Rule 53 of the Second Schedule to the Income Tax Act, 1961 read with the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993)
RC 5191/2008 IN OA 279/2003

Canara Bank, Malleswaram Branch Versus Sri D V Kunder and Others To, Certified Debtors.

1. Sri D. V. Kunder, S/o Late V. M. Sallana, Devi Krupa, Karnad By-Pass, Mukli, Mangalore Taluk-574154)

2. Sri Suresh Peter alias Sameer, S/o Mr Baldwin, No. 64-19-16/2 Siharapuram, Malkapuram, Vishakapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

3. Karunkur Vijay alias K. Vijay (deceased), Rep by his wife and legal rep. Mrs Meena Vijay, Pai Towers, Beednaguda, Udipi-576101.

4. Sri Krishnamurthy Sridhar, S/o Late Krishnaswamy K. No. 42, 2nd Floor, Thimmaiah Layout, Basaveswara Nagar, Bengaluru-560073

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SPECIFICATION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Schedule-B

6 acres 30 cents or 2,550 hectares of agricultural land with 50 mango trees situated at Nagappa Village, Chandragiri Mandalam, Nagappa Sub District, Thirupathi, Balaji Registration District Chittoor District Entire land bounded on the :-

East: Land of R. Jayamma and Leelavathamma Reserve Forest Line and Road. West: Land of Sri K Lakshminarayana and Durgam Kunda Reddy in survey No. 277,278,279, and 280 in between these. North: Vagu (Water Channel) South: Land in survey No. 303,304,305 and 306.

Survey No.	Classification	Extent	Hectres
271	Dry	A 0.60 Cents	0.243 Fully
272	Dry	A 1.23 cents	0.498 Fully
274	Dry	A 3.21 Cents	1.300 Fully
276(1+2)	Dry	A 1.26 Cents	0.510 Fully

Schedule-C

Chittoor District, Sri Balaji Registration District Thirupathi, Chandragiri Sub District Chandragiri Mandalam, Nagappa Village Accounts, the agricultural land with mango garden in the following survey No.s and Bounded On :-

East: Land of R. Jayamma and Leelavathamma Reserve Forest Line and Road. West: Land of Sri K Lakshminarayana and Durgam Kunda Reddy in survey No. 277, 278,279, and 280 in between these. North: Vagu (Water Channel) South: Land in survey No. 303,304,305 and 306.

Survey No.	Classification	Full Extent	Sale Extent	Hectres
271	Dry	A 1.20 Cents	A 0.60 Cents	0.243 Fully
272	Dry	A 2.46 cents	A 1.23 Cents	0.498 Fully
274	Dry	A 6.42 Cents	A 3.21 Cents	1.300 Fully
276(1+2)	Dry	A 5.75 Cents	A 1.61 1/2 Cents	0.648 Fully

Schedule-D

Chittoor District, Sri Balaji Registration District Thirupathi, Chandragiri Sub District Chandragiri Mandalam, Nagappa Village Accounts, the agricultural land with mango garden in the following survey No.s and Bounded On :-

a) East: Land in Survey No. 274, West: Land in Survey No. 276, North: Land in Survey No. 268, South: Land in Survey No. 279-1 in between this

Survey No.	Classification	Full Extent	Sale Extent	Hectres
279	Dry	A 1.15 Cents	A 0.57 1/2 Cents	0.230 Fully

b) East: Land in Survey No. 320,321 and reserve forest line road, West: Land in Survey No. 318, North: Land in Survey No. 371, 274 and 278, South: Land in Survey No. 305 in between this

Survey No.	Classification	Full Extent	Sale Extent	Hectres
306	Dry	A 4.25 Cents	A 2.12 1/2 Cents	0.858 Fully
307	Dry	A 8.98 cents	A 4.49 Cents	1.918 Fully

2. Chittoor District, Sri Balaji Registration District Thirupathi, Chandragiri Sub District Chandragiri Mandalam, Nagappa Village Accounts, the agricultural land with mango garden in the following survey No.s and Bounded On :-

a) East: Land in Survey No. 274, West: Land in Survey No. 276, North: Land in Survey No. 268, South: Land in Survey No. 279-1 in between this

Survey No.	Classification	Full Extent	Sale Extent	Hectres
279/2	Dry	A 1.15 Cents	A 0.57 1/2 cents	0.230 Fully

b) East: Land in Survey No. 320,321 and reserve forest line road, West: Land in Survey No. 318, North: Land in Survey No. 271, 274 and 278, South: Land in Survey No. 305 in between this.

Bounded on the:
 East: Reserve Forest Line and Road. West: Land and Mango Garden in Survey No.274 and 276, North: Land in Survey No. 270/1, South: Land in Survey No. 306 and 307.
 Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date: 30/07/2022.

Sd/- (DEEPA INDUVANI S) RECOVERY OFFICER,
 DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BENGALURU

FORM NO. 14: [See Regulation 33(2)]
 By Regd. A/D, Dast failing which by Publication.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1, BANGALURU
 BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore

WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
 (See Sections 25 to 28 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks & Other Financial Institutions Act, 1953 (w Rule 4 and 31 of the II Schedule to the Income Tax Act, 1961)
RC 5191/2008 IN OA 279/2003

Canara Bank, Malleswaram Branch Versus Sri D V Kunder and Others Certified Debtors.

1. Sri D. V. Kunder, S/o Late V. M. Sallana, Devi Krupa, Karnad By-Pass, Mukli, Mangalore Taluk-574154)

2. Sri Suresh Peter alias Sameer, S/o Mr Baldwin, No. 64-19-16/2 Siharapuram, Malkapuram, Vishakapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

3. Karunkur Vijay alias K. Vijay (deceased), Rep by his wife and legal rep. Mrs Meena Vijay, Pai Towers, Beednaguda, Udipi-576101.

4. Sri Krishnamurthy Sridhar, S/o Late Krishnaswamy K. No. 42, 2nd Floor, Thimmaiah Layout, Basaveswara Nagar, Bengaluru-560073

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भारत सरकार - अंतरिक्ष विभाग / GOVERNMENT OF INDIA - DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
निर्माण एवं अनुसंधान समूह, एसडीएससी-शार / CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP, SDSC-SHAR
श्रीहरिकोटा / नेल्डूर (जिला), आ.प्र. / SRIHARIKOTA - 524124

संक्षिप्त ई-निविदा सूचना / Brief E-TENDER NOTICE

सं.शार-सीएमजी सिविल-अनुसंधान-ई-जन संपर्क निविदा No:SHAR:CMGCIVIL-MAINT-E-PT-15/22-23 दिनांक Date. 16.12.2022

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से "पीसीएन कालोनी क्षेत्र में पेंटिंग कार्य" (टीसी-22-082, अनुमानित लागत ₹33.02 लाख), "एसडीएससी शार कीएसएमपीसी यूनिट-1 में बीटी सड़क एवं सिविल कार्य" (टीसी-22-083, अनुमानित लागत ₹29.89 लाख), "एसडीएससी शार के जीएच परिसर में कंपाउंड दीवार कार्य" (टीसी-22-084, अनुमानित लागत ₹21.89 लाख), "एसएमपीसी यूनिट-1 में छत रिसाव रोकना" (टीसी-22-085, अनुमानित लागत ₹16.22 लाख), "कीपाकम क्षेत्र में डी-3 हैंगर का सिविल नवीनीकरण" (टीसी-22-086, अनुमानित लागत ₹13.62 लाख), "एसएमपीसी यूनिट-1 में पेंटिंग कार्य" (टीसी-22-087 अनुमानित लागत ₹9.37 लाख) हेतु मं. दर ई-निविदाएं आमंत्रित हैं। निविदा दस्तावेज 03.01.2023 को 14:30 बजे तक कायमलोक किए जा सकते हैं। विस्तृत सूचना हेतु इच्छुक निविदाकार हमारी वेबसाइट www.isro.gov.in या www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO पर जाएं।

On behalf of President of India, Item Rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for "Painting works @ PCN Colony area" (T/C-22-082, Est.cost ₹33.02 Lakhs); "BT road& Civil works @ SMPCC Unit-1, SDSC SHAR" (T/C-22-083, Est. cost ₹29.89 Lakhs); "Compound wall works @ GH complex, SDSC SHAR" (T/C-22-084, Est.cost ₹21.89 Lakhs); "Arresting roof Leakages @ SMPCC Unit-1" (T/C-22-085, Est.cost ₹16.22 Lakhs); "Civil Refurbishment of D-3 Hanger @ Keepakkam area" (T/C-22-086, Est. cost ₹13.62 Lakhs); "Painting works @ SMPCC Unit-1" (T/C-22-087, Est.cost ₹9.37 Lakhs). Tender documents can be downloaded up to 03.01.2023, 14:30 hrs. Interested tenderers may visit www.isro.gov.in or www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO for details.

हस्ताक्षरित- सहस्र प्रमाण, सीएमजी / एसडीएससी शार / Sd/- GROUP HEAD, CMG / SDSC SHAR

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Registered Office Address : Unit No.601, 6th Floor Piramala Amiti Building , Piramal Agastya Corporate Park, Kamani Junction, Opp Fire Station, LBS Marg, Kurla (West), Mumbai-400 070.
CIN: L65910MH1984PLC032639 Web Site: www.piramalfinance.com
Branch Address : Dhruv Baga, Building 'A' Ground & 1st Floor, Beside Axis Bank, Opp. Monalisa Building, Agra Road, Hari Niwas Circle, Naupada, Thane (West) - 400 602.

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorized Officer of **Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited (PCHFL)** [formerly known as **Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Ltd.(DHFL)**] under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorized Officer has issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to PCHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to PCHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount with NPA date	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
(LC No.: 24800001362 of Marathahalli Branch) Dejo Davis (Borrower) Misha Dejo (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 412151.48/- (₹ Four lakh Twelve Thousand One Hundred Fifty One Only and Forty Eight Paise) NPA (09-09-2022)	Flat No 8, J/ Park 2, Apartment, 4th Cross Rd, Bhavani Layout, Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560029
(LC No.: 08600001580 of Bengaluru Metro Jayanagar Branch) Srikantha S (Borrower) Sudha G (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 635422.92/- (₹ Six lakh Thirty Five Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Two Only and Ninety Two Paise) NPA (09-09-2022)	Site No. 75, Sy No. 87/3, Udayavari Enclave, Nagapura Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 562105
(LC No.: 11800000961 of Hosur Branch) Ramesh N (Borrower) Tejashwini R (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 4084467/- (₹ Forty lakh Sixty Four Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Seven Only) NPA (01-09-2022)	No. 730/722, A Block, The Rajaji Nagar H C S Ltd, Yeshwanthpur Hobli Sngnadhakavali Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560091
(LC No.: 21500043117 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 2 Branch) Geetha Roopa S (Borrower) Subramani M (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 2427464/- (₹ Twenty Four lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Seven Only) NPA (09-09-2022)	Site No 1836, 5th Block, S M V Layout Near Mangalahalli Cross Bus Stop Bangalore Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560010
(LC No.: 24800001082 of Marathahalli Branch) Sheetal G (Borrower) Veerbhushan R Goni (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 2734711/- (₹ Twenty Seven lakh Thirty Four Thousand One Hundred Seventy One Only) NPA (01-08-2022)	No 12 E, 10 Khata No 275, Pradyuth Nagar, Kogilu Village, Yalahanka Hobli, No Aditya College, Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560062
(LC No.: 12700004405 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) Sindhu Shree Enterprises (Borrower) Nagesh C (Co Borrower 1) Nanjunde Gowda (Co Borrower 2)	08-11-2022 ₹ 4510545/- (₹ Forty Five lakh Ten Thousand Five Hundred Forty Six Only) NPA (09-09-2022)	Assessment No 1600/1268/3 3rd Division Town, Malavalli Town Pete Vaklagalige Beedi, Kasaba Mandya Mandya Karnataka - 571430
(LC No.: 215BENG05659 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 2 Branch) Anil Kumar Japur (Borrower) Gundabai Japur (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 1264052/- (₹ Twelve lakh Sixty Four Thousand Fifty Two Only) NPA (08-09-2022)	No.48, 1St Main, Muneshwara Temple Rd, K Hata No.1324, Kempapura Village, Bystray Anapura Municipal Yelahanka Hobli, North Bangalore Karnataka - 560011
(LC No.: 15400000347 of Kolar Branch) Suresh Reddy (Borrower) Rathna S (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 3063041/- (₹ Thirty lakh Sixty Three Thousand Forty One Only) NPA (30-09-2021)	1) Site No. B-1073, Katha No. 1355, Araleri Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, White Garden, Bangalore Kolar Karnataka - 562102 2) Site No. 1074, Katha No. 1356, Araleri Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, White Garden, Bangalore Kolar Karnataka - 562102 3) No B 1073 & B 1074 Katha No 1355 & 1356 Sy No 1127 White Gardens Araleri Road Malur Kolar Karnataka - 563130
(LC No.: 15400000077 of Kolar Branch) Suresh Reddy (Borrower) Rathna S (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 81500/- (₹ Eighty One Thousand Five Hundred Only) NPA (30-09-2021)	1) Site No. B-1073, Katha No. 1355, Araleri Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, White Garden, Bangalore Kolar Karnataka - 562102 2) Site No. 1074, Katha No. 1356, Araleri Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, White Garden, Bangalore Kolar Karnataka - 562102 3) No B 1073 & B 1074 Katha No 1355 & 1356 Sy No 1127 White Gardens Araleri Road Malur Kolar Karnataka - 563130
(LC No.: 15400000078 of Kolar Branch) Suresh Reddy (Borrower) Rathna S (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 90808/- (₹ Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Eight Only) NPA (30-09-2021)	1) Site No. B-1073, Katha No. 1355, Araleri Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, White Garden, Bangalore Kolar Karnataka - 562102 2) Site No. 1074, Katha No. 1356, Araleri Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, White Garden, Bangalore Kolar Karnataka - 562102 3) No B 1073 & B 1074 Katha No 1355 & 1356 Sy No 1127 White Gardens Araleri Road Malur Kolar Karnataka - 563130
(LC No.: 24600000224 of Chandapura Branch) Ponnuramgan Somasundaram Dharmendran (Borrower) Mangal Ezh (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 2581495/- (₹ Twenty Five lakh Eighty One Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Five Only) NPA (01-09-2022)	Celebrity Square Flat No 118, 1st Floor A Block Sy No 324/1 324/2 328/1 & 330/2 Bidaraguppe Vi Attibele Hobli Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 562107
(LC No.: 12700004556 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) Ponnuramgan Somasundaram Dharmendran (Borrower) Mangala Dharmendran (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 404575/- (₹ Four lakh Four Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Five Only) NPA (01-09-2022)	Celebrity Square Flat No 118, 1st Floor A Block Sy No 324/1 324/2 328/1 & 330/2 Bidaraguppe Vi Attibele Hobli Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 562107
(LC No.: 12700001695 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) Kavitha A (Borrower)	08-11-2022 ₹ 2752606/- (₹ Twenty Seven lakh Fifty Two Thousand Six Hundred Six Only) NPA (12-11-2021)	Flat No 302 Gopalan Residency Sy No 24 & 25 Old No 53854 Kempapura Agrahara Village Bomp Khata No 1 Bhuvane Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560023
(LC No.: 12700003225 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) Kanchana A (Borrower)	08-11-2022 ₹ 3295630/- (₹ Thirty Two lakh Ninety Five Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Only) NPA (12-11-2021)	Flat No 302 Gopalan Residency Sy No 24 & 25 Old No 53854 Kempapura Agrahara Village Bomp Khata No 1 Bhuvane Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560023
(LC No.: 21400041867 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 1 Branch) Jesudoss Rajakumar Balakrishnan (Borrower) Ezhi Vzhil (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 3579789/- (₹ Thirty Five lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Nine Only) NPA (09-08-2022)	1) Property No 179 Vibhuthipura Village K R Puram Hobli Bangalore South Taluk Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560037 2) Site No 38 Vibuthi Pura Village K R Puram Hobli Hasr Area Bangalore Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560036
(LC No.: 21400043430 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 1 Branch) Jesudoss Rajakumar Balakrishnan (Borrower) Ezhi Vzhil J (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 1265518/- (₹ Twelve lakh Fifty Five Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Only) NPA (09-08-2022)	1) Property No 179 Vibhuthipura Village K R Puram Hobli Bangalore South Taluk Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560037 2) Site No 38 Vibuthi Pura Village K R Puram Hobli Hasr Area Bangalore Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560036
(LC No.: 21400042364 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 1 Branch) Jesudoss Rajakumar Balakrishnan (Borrower) Ezhi Vzhil (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 1270438/- (₹ Twelve lakh Severly Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight Only) NPA (09-08-2022)	1) Property No 179 Vibhuthipura Village K R Puram Hobli Bangalore South Taluk Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560037 2) Site No 38 Vibuthi Pura Village K R Puram Hobli Hasr Area Bangalore Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560036
(LC No.: 21500041975 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 2 Branch) Anand R (Borrower) Murugan Ramaswamy (Co Borrower 1) Amudha R (Co Borrower 2)	08-11-2022 ₹ 784115/- (₹ Seven lakh Eighty Four Thousand One Hundred Fifteen Only) NPA (09-09-2022)	Property No. 5, Old No.78, Khata No.117A Bazar Street, Vivek Nagar, Neelasaundari Vill, Bangalore Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560047
(LC No.: 21400043740 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 1 Branch) Anand R (Borrower) Murugan M (Co Borrower 1) Amudha R (Co Borrower 2)	08-11-2022 ₹ 7740505/- (₹ Seventy Seven lakh Forty Thousand Five Hundred Five Only) NPA (09-09-2022)	Property No. 5, Old No.78, Khata No.117A Bazar Street, Vivek Nagar, Neelasaundari Vill, Bangalore Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560047
(LC No.: 15500000432 of Nelamangala Branch) Jaishankar E (Borrower) Gowthami J (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 3495298/- (₹ Thirty Four lakh Ninety Five Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Eight Only) NPA (01-09-2022)	Site No. 100, Sir M V Layout Hosakote Town Hosakote Town Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 562114
(LC No.: 127000040181 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) Jaishankar E (Borrower) Gowthami J (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 199653/- (₹ One lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Three Only) NPA (01-09-2022)	Site No. 100, Sir M V Layout Hosakote Town Hosakote Town Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 562114
(LC No.: 12700003743 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) R S Mahesh (Borrower) Girija S (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 223727/- (₹ Two lakh Twenty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Seven Only) NPA (09-09-2022)	Flat No S1, 2nd Floor, Shivaganga Castle Site No 90, 30th Cross Road Bsk 2nd Stage Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560070
(LC No.: 12700002937 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) R S Mahesh (Borrower) Girija S (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 1265219/- (₹ Twelve lakh Sixty Five Thousand Two Hundred Nineteen Only) NPA (09-09-2022)	Flat No S1, 2nd Floor, Shivaganga Castle Site No 90, 30th Cross Road Bsk 2nd Stage Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560070
(LC No.: 12700004046 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) Gunprasad H M (Borrower) Asharani Jayappa (Co Borrower 1) Anjanappa Munraj (Co Borrower 2) Umadevi T (Guarantor 1) Usharani H M (Guarantor 2)	08-11-2022 ₹ 1127741/- (₹ One Crore Eleven lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty One Only) NPA (09-08-2022)	Northern Portion Of Site No.7, Khatha No 18, Sarakali Village, Utharahalli Hobli 17th Cross, Jp Nagar 6th Phase Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560078
(LC No.: 21400040447 of Bengaluru S V Koramangala Branch) Gunprasad H M (Borrower) Asharani Jayappa (Co Borrower 1) Anjanappa Munraj (Co Borrower 2) Umadevi T (Guarantor 1) Usharani H M (Guarantor 2)	08-11-2022 ₹ 7432517/- (₹ Seventy Four lakh Thirty Two Thousand Five Hundred Seventeen Only) NPA (09-09-2022)	Northern Portion Of Site No.7, Khatha No 18, Sarakali Village, Utharahalli Hobli 17th Cross, Jp Nagar 6th Phase Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560078
(LC No.: 21400042968 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 1 Branch) Jayaraman Naresh (Borrower) Rajeshwari R (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 580079/- (₹ Five lakh Eighty Thousand Seventy Nine Only) NPA (12-11-2021)	Flat No 203, 2nd Floor, Emerald Icons, 3rd Block Hennur Road Banaswadi Road Near Hbr Water Tank H B R Layout, Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560043
(LC No.: 21400043776 of Bengaluru - Jayanagar - 1 Branch) Lakshmidevi (Borrower) Naresha P (Co Borrower 1)	08-11-2022 ₹ 748417/- (₹ Seven lakh Forty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Seventeen Only) NPA (10-12-2021)	Site No 30, Sy No 105, Hongasandra Village Begur Hobli, Bommahanahalli Cmc Bangalore Bangalore Karnataka - 560068

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to PCHFL as aforesaid, PCHFL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of PCHFL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date: 19-12-2022 Sd/- (Authorised Officer)
Place : Bangalore Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public call upon hereby that my clients 1.Sri.Karagappa, S/o. Late A.K. Smt. Vaniyappa, 2. Smt. Mariyamma, W/o Karagappa, 3) Smt. Rathnamma, D/o Karagappa, 4.Sri. Krishnappa, K. S/o Karagappa, 5.Smt.Kanaka, D/o Karagappa, all are residing at Alagondanahalli Village, Jagdenahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and my clients are the owners of the schedule property and Executed Registered General Power of attorney on 30-5-2022 in favour M/S.SRI SHIVAM BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS A Partnership Firm, having its office at No.70, 9th Main 1st Cross, HAL 3rd Stage, Indiranagar, Bangalore represented by its Partner Sri. N.JADEESH REDDY Vide Document No HSK-4-001719/2022-23, Stored in CD No. 1555, Registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar,Hoskote, Bangalore Rural. My clients has revoked the said General power of attorney with immediate effect as the said GPA holder is acting contrary to the true interest of my clients. Hence the General Public is notified not to deal with M/S. SRI SHIVAM BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS in respect of the schedule property. In spite of it if any person/s still deals with the SRI SHIVAM BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS in respect of the schedule property he/she/they will be doing so at his/her/their own risk and cost and client will not be held responsible in any manner whatsoever.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of Agricultural Land bearing Sy.No.1/PD measuring 2-00 Acres Situated at Alagondanahalli Village, Jagdenahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and bounded on: East by: Property belongs to Khadar Pasha, West by: Property belongs to Karagappa, North by: Property belongs to Akkayamma, South by: Property belongs to Uttanallappa. H.S RAMAMURTHY & ASSOCIATES No.27/31, 3rd floor, Opp 10th Cross, Cubbonpet Main Road, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560002. Mob: 9845143642 E-mail: hsrfevassociates@gmail.com.

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My clients 1). Sri Uttanallappa, S/o A.K. Muniyappa, 2).Smt.Mariyamma, W/o Uttanallappa, 3).Smt.Muniyamma, S/o Uttanallappa, 4).Smt.Karagamma, S/o Muniyamma, 5). Mr. Yashwanth M, S/o Muniyamma, 6).Miss.Anu, M. D/o Muniyamma, 7).Sri.Narayana, S/o Uttanallappa, 8).Smt.R.Lakshmi, W/o Narayana, 9). Mr. Kheethavik, N/o Narayana, 10).Kheethavik, N/o Narayana, 11).Sri.Ravikumar, S/o Uttanallappa, 12).Smt.Ravathi, W/o Ravikumar, 13).Mr.Dhanush, S/o Ravikumar, 14).Sri.Ramesh, S/o Uttanallappa, 15).Smt.Nagamani, W/o Ramesh, 16). Mr. Dilip Kumar, R S/o Ramesh, 17).Kavanna, R S/o Ramesh, 18).Sri.Keshava, U, 19).Smt.Priyanka, W/o Keshava, U, 20).Prathika, D/o Keshava, U, 21).Kruthika, D/o Keshava, U, 22).Smt. B.N. Bharti, W/o Muniyamma, U all are residing at Alagondanahalli Village, Jagdenahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore - 562114, and my clients are the owners of the schedule property and Executed Registered General Power of attorney on 30-5-2022 in favour M/S. SRI SHIVAM BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS A Partnership Firm, having its office at No.70, 9th Main 1st Cross, HAL 3rd Stage, Indiranagar, Bangalore represented by its partner Sri. N.JADEESH REDDY Vide Document No HSK-4-001719/2022-23, Stored in CD No.1555, Registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Hoskote, Bangalore Rural. My clients has revoked the said General power of attorney with immediate effect as a said GPA holder is acting contrary to the true interest of my clients. Hence the General Public is notified not to deal with M/S. SRI SHIVAM BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS in respect of the schedule property. In spite of it if any person/s still deals with the SRI SHIVAM BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS in respect of the schedule property he/she/they will be doing so at his/her/their own risk and cost and my client will not be held responsible in any manner whatsoever.

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All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Sy.No.1/P40 measuring 02 Acres of land MR.No.HI/2020-21 date: on 04-09-2020 followed Khata number 96 and Sy.No. 1/P98 measuring 02 Acres of land MR.No.03/2000-2001 followed Khata Number 88 situated at Alagondanahalli Village, Jagdenahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District bounded on: East by: Prabhakar Reddy Land, West by: Karagappa Land, North by: Karagappa Land, South by: Uttanallappa.

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IN THE COURT OF THE XV ADL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE COURT AT BANGALURU CMIS/No. 7357/2022

BETWEEN

1) AISHA BANU, D/o Late Anees Ahmed, C/o. Riyaz Ahmed, aged about 52 years, residing at No. 16, 1 CMC, Main Road, Near ST. Joseph School, Bommahanalli, Bangalore South District, Bangalore-560068

2) AZRA BANU D/o Late Anees Ahmed, W/o. Syed Saleem Ahmed aged about 50 years residing at No. 14/1-3, 1 Cross, Grape Gardens, Near Vivekanagar, Police Station Ejrupa, Bangalore-560047

3) ASMA BANU D/o Late Anees Ahmed, W/o. Peer Sharif, Aged about 48 years, R/o. No. Old Mutton Market Road, Near CPA Hall Gulf Colony, Hassan District, Pin- 573 201.

4) Zakir Ahmed S/o. Late Anees Ahmed, Aged about 39 years, Residing at No. 77, 10th Main Road, Behind Shashi Factory, Unit-6, Bommahanalli, Bangalore-560068

5) UMME SALMA D/o. Late Anees Ahmed, W/o. Mushtaq Ahmed, aged about 46 years, residing at No. 1-C (B) 1ST Floor, 4th Main, Opp. Bibi Fatima, IT Gandharva nagar, J.P. Nagar, Bangalore-560078

6) Subash Ahmed, S/o. Late Anees Ahmed, Aged about 49 years, residing at No. 503/A(12), Ward No. VI, Dagual, Raja VTC, Rain Post, Salote Sub District, South Goa District, Goa State Pin. 403 270.

7) SHAFIA AHMED D/o Late Anees Ahmed, Aged about 43 years, reside ng at No. 185/71, 10th Main, Opp. Mohajir Masjid, Viranagar, Bommahanalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560068 and issue the direction accordingly for the death certificate.

It is required to produce the same before the concerned authorities for documentation, for transfer of Katha and for other legal purposes and service benefits.

Any person interested and having any objection in this matter, may appear before the above court at 11.00 a.m. on 20.12.2023 to which date the case is posted for hearing. Kindly permit the paper publication in Hoasdganathi Kannada and Indian Express news paper.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this day of 17, 12, 2022.

By order of the court
Sheristadur, Court of the XV ACMI at Bangalore

Advocate for Petitioners
SHAIK ILYAS PASHA, Advocate
No. 14, Edward Road, Vasanthnagar, Bangalore-560001

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that I, Mr. FROZ HUSSAIN KANDHOTI S/o Hussain Hasan, aged about 56 years, resident of Hayat, Adikalay, Kammur, Kerala-670003, office at No.40, Annipura main road, Sudamanager, near Shanthinagar bus stand, Bangalore - 560027, ("Owner") has purchased all that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.38, and 45, TMC Katha No.967/950/696/38, 45, 1004/936/696, formed in converted survey no. 31, 32 and 33 in the layout called as TEMANCON RESIDENCY", (conversion order No.BDS.ALN.SRA/45/93-94 dated 13-04-1994 and BDS.ALN.SR (A) 2005-06 dated 02-05-2005 passed by the deputy commissioner Bangalore urban district and layout approved from BMUDA vide No.BMPOA/DA/44/2005-06 dated 01-07-2005) situated at Banahalli, near Kittigannahalli, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore now under the Jurisdiction Bommamandra, TMC ward No.13, Measuring East to West 30 Ft and North to South 80 Ft in all measuring 2400 sq.ft together with building constructed ground and Five Upper Floor each floor measuring 1945 Sq.ft. totally measuring 11670 sq.ft, constructed with bricks and cement, RCC Roofing Mosaic flooring, Jungle wood used for doors and windows with all basic amenities, bounded on East by Plot No.39 and 44, West by 40 feet wide Road, North by 30 feet wide Road, South by 30 feet wide Road. The Owner has lost /misplaced the original document listed below ("Original Document") in respect of the Properties and the same could not be traced.

LIST OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENT MISPLACED/LOST

Sale deed, dated 25-02-2018, vide registered No.BSG-1-08407-2018-19, Book-1, Stored in CD No.BSD3731, in the office of sub-registrar Basavanagur, Bangalore.

Any person's finding or holding or is in possession of the above listed documents is/are not entitled to retain custody of the same and are requested to return the same forthwith to the address of the Owner at resident of Hayat, Adikalay, Kammur, Kerala-670003, or office at No.40, Annipura main road, Sudamanager, near Shanthinagar bus stand, Bangalore-560027.

Any person having custody of the aforesaid documents shall be holding it illegally and are obligated to forthwith deliver it to the Owner at the aforesaid address.

FROZ HUSSAIN KANDHOTI

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No. SEE/TK(M)/BRAZ/EE (AEE-4/-T6/2022-23/5107 Dt. 17.12.2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION (e-Procurement mode only)

KPTCL invites Bids against Enquiry No.: KPTCL/SEE/TR(M)/BRAZ/EE(O)/AEE-4/T/2022-23/EPR-723(Call-2) Dt. 17.12.2022 for "Supply of T&P Materials for utilization at various Sub-stations and TLM Subdivisions conforming to our Technical Specifications, F.O.R.D. at Store/Site basis including all applicable GST under Transmission (Maintenance) Circle, BRAZ, KPTCL, Hebbal, Bengaluru. Bids will be received through e-procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject tenders can be got by logging on to <https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in> with hyperlink "e-Procurement-KPTCL" or <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in> on or after 19.12.2022.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, (Elec.), Transmission (Maintenance), BRAZ Circle, KPTCL, UAS Campus, Hebbal, Bengaluru-560024, Ph: 080-23415347.

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SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

REF: POSSESSION NOTICE UNDER SUB-RULE(1) OF RULE 8 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

WHEREAS the undersigned being the authorized office of GICHFL, pursuant to the demand notice issued on its respective dates, under section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon Borrowers, the under named, to pay outstanding dues within 60 days from the date of the respective notices. The Borrowers have failed to pay the said outstanding dues within stipulated time, hence GICHFL is in exercise and having right as conferred under the provisions of sub section (4) of section 13 of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with rules thereunder, has taken SYMBOLIC POSSESSION of the Secured Assets as mentioned herein below.

Sr. No.	File No./ Name of The Borrower(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)& Guarantors	Address Of The Mortgaged Property	Outstanding Dues As On 30.11.2022	Date Of Demand Notice Sent	Date of Symbolic Possession Notice
1	KA0020110002198 / MR. SYLESH SATISH BANGALORE BRANCH	House Plot No; 13 3rd Cross, Langford Road, Shanthi Nagar, Bangalore 560027	Rs.1602849/-	21.07.2022	14.12.2022
2	KA0020110003653 / NADUVANAHALLILAKSHMANA SHASHI KUMAR/ BANGALORE BRANCH	No.31/1 GF Plot No 12, Nagarabhavi, Near Bda Complex, Malagala Taluka, Yashwanthpura, Bangalore- 560091.	Rs.3374884/-	20.07.2022	14.12.2022
3	KA0020610002434 / MR.RAJENDRAN SRIKANTH/ BANGALORE BRANCH	Flat No.401, 4Th Floor, Prabhavathi Paramount A Block, Sy No-108/2, Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist -562106.	Rs.1954579/-	20.07.2022	14.12.2022
4	KA0020610002722 / MR.SAMEERA JAYATHEERTHA / PRASHANTH JAYATHEERTHA (GPA HOLDER) / BANGALORE BRANCH	KH-No. 236/206/30/1/2, Opposite Sri Raghavendra Mata, Brmanara Street, Hoskote, Bangalore 562114	Rs.2783639/-	25.07.2022	14.12.2022
5	KA0020610002724 / MR.LAKSHMEEESH KARKAL / MR.RATHNAKAR DEVAIDIGA BHARTHESH/ BANGALORE BRANCH	Flat No. 003, Anjanadri Apartment, Ground Floor, 2nd Main Road, Industrial Suburb 2nd Street, Behind Hyundai Showroom, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560022.	Rs.4184783/-	21.07.2022	14.12.2022
6	KA0020610002749 / MR.SAMEERA JAYATHEERTHA / MR. PRASHANTH JAYATHEERTHA (GPA HOLDER)/ BANGALORE BRANCH	KHNo. 250/220/309/ABrmanaraStreet,Ward No01 Bangalore Rural, Hoskote Town 562114	Rs.7363419/-	25.07.2022	14.12.2022
7	KA0020610002959 / MRS. SRINIVASA RAJNI / VIJAY KALOUSE (GPA HOLDER) BANGALORE BRANCH	No-1/74-1,Muniswamy Mudaliar Galli,Hosur Main Road, Madwala, Bangalore-560068.	Rs.7571623/-	25.07.2022	14.12.2022
8	KA0020610003313 / MR. NAVEEN KUMAR RAMESH / SANDHYA RAMESH D/O OF RAMESH DORAISWAMY (GPA HOLDER)/ BANGALORE BRANCH	Plot No:893, 1St Stage, 2nd Block,19Th Cross, 8th B Main, H B R Layout, Bangalore - 560043	Rs.8894310/-	25.07.2022	14.12.2022
9	KA0020610003989 / MR. NISHEET BOLAR / BANGALORE BRANCH	Flat No 306, 3rd Floor, Anjanadri Enclave Apmts, Parimalanagar Nandini Layout, Bangalore- 560096.	Rs.4957238/-	21.07.2022	14.12.2022
10	KA0020610002915 / MRS. MANJUNATH SAVITHA / GPA HOLDER MR PRASHANTH JAYATHEERTHA BANGALORE BRANCH	Plot No: KH. No. 250/1/220/30, Brahmins Street, Sector Ward No.1, Beside Gayathri Bhavana, Hoskote, Taluka: Bangalore Rural District -Pin Code: 562114	Rs.3411923/-	25.08.2022	14.12.2022
11	KA0020610003009 / MR. DURGA PRASAD DUGGARAJU / GPA HOLDER / MR G JAYAPRAKASH REDDY / BANGALORE BRANCH	Plot No.06, A K Colony, Ward No.22, Yellamma Temple Road, Vishwanatha Nagenahalli, P & T Colony, Kavalbyarasandra, Bangalore 560032	Rs.17470543/-	25.08.2022	14.12.2022
12	KA0020610003206 / MR. JAMPA PRADEEP KUMAR BANGALORE BRANCH	Neha Sadan Apartments,House No: 302,3rd Floor, Begur Hobli, Near Dakshin Honda Showroom, Singasandra Bangalore South 560068	Rs.5924698/-	25.08.2022	14.12.2022
13	KA0020610003827 / MR. M B BASHWIN BANGALORE BRANCH	Richmond Lake View,House No: 301, Floor No: 2Nd, Plot No: 155, Ramakrishnapura Village, Sector Ward No: 29/1, Near Chandapura Circle,Village: Jigani, Anekal, Taluka: Anekal, State: Karnataka-562106	Rs.8530007/-	25.08.2022	14.12.2022
14	KA0020610003889 / MR. R MADHUSUDHAN BANGALORE BRANCH	Malnad Sri Apartments,House No: 01, Floor No: SF,Plot No: 01, Ward No: 196,Opp To Gunukul School, Village: Alahalli, Doddakallasandra, Taluka: Uttarahalli, State: Karnataka, Pin Code: 560062	Rs.6109898/-	25.08.2022	14.12.2022
15	KA0880600000045 / SANDHYA RAO VASANTHAM /	Flat No 401, Plot No 104,Sap Caves, Ward No.175, Kodichikanahalli Main Road,	Rs.3510438/-	08.06.2022	14.12.2022

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— Ramnath Goenka

GREENHORN BHUTTO'S MODI SLUR AND INDIA'S SHARP COUNTERATTACK

At one level, Pakistan foreign minister Bilawal Bhutto's canard in New York blaming Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the Gujarat riots indicated he was a greenhorn. In the high art of diplomacy, punches are freely traded without making them personal unless the situation warrants it. A furious India quickly pointed out that Bhutto's name-calling was at a new low, even by Pakistan's standards. In one stroke, it extinguished even the remotest of chances of a thaw in the frigid bilateral ties despite the pragmatic Nawaz Sharif getting active and preparing to return from exile to Islamabad. Bhutto's statement drew further loose talk from his party colleague Shazia Marri who warned India of a nuclear conflagration. It's hard to make sense of such rabble-rousing as it may not even fetch Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party any leverage ahead of national elections next year, as verbal diarrhoea against India is part of Pakistan's daily discourse. At another level, Bhutto's remark indicated his country's frustration over India's successful campaign across all fora to paint Pakistan as the epicentre of global terror. While India's economy has become the fifth largest in the world, Pakistan became a terror sanctuary by choice and reduced itself to a basket case. Pakistan can at least learn from Bangladesh, which was carved out of it after the 1971 war, as the latter's economy is fairly robust, and its war on terror is total.

India's pushback was swift and incisive. It called out the Made-in-Pakistan terror and labelled Bhutto's 'uncivilised' outburst as the outcome of his country's increasing inability to use militants and their proxies. It attacked the neighbour for glorifying global terrorists like Osama bin Laden as martyrs. Scholarly foreign minister S Jaishankar recalled the then US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's words of wisdom for Pakistan: If you have snakes in your backyard, you can't expect them to bite only your neighbours. Eventually, they will bite the people who keep them in the backyard.

The 2002 Gujarat riots that saw mass murders during Modi's watch as the chief minister were a blot on the country's secular fabric. But a special task force constituted by the Supreme Court to look into the conspiracy angle of the riots gave Modi a clean chit in its report in 2012, saying there was no prosecutable evidence against him. That is where the matter ought to rest.

CREATING 'OUTRAGE' OVER JUST CRITICISM

The government's manufacturing push, especially with the Production Linked Incentive Scheme (PLI), has not impressed all. There have been conflicting views on this issue, with many pointing out its limited benefits. One of the critics of the government's cash incentive policy to manufacturers is former RBI governor Raghuram Rajan. He has been a votary of a more service sector-led growth rather than India trying to emulate China's manufacturing model. In a recent conversation with Rahul Gandhi, he made this point again, leading to an angry retort from the finance minister.

Rajan is not the only critic of the government's manufacturing policy, especially the PLI scheme. Experts have underscored the issue of large subsidies given to manufacturers for setting up highly capital-intensive industries like semiconductors and questioned the viability since only a few manufacturers receiving them. Another issue is India's attempt to be a manufacturing hub for everything instead of focusing on a few sectors, as Taiwan did with semiconductors. The focus of the PLI seems to be more on capital-intensive sectors than labour-intensive ones. Therefore, experts doubt the scheme's ability to generate the kind of manufacturing jobs the government hopes for.

A recent report by Credit Suisse also speaks of "modest" capex growth due to PLI schemes; it sees only an 8-10% incremental capex growth. Credit Suisse does not see many investments in non-traditional sectors like mobile manufacturing, IT hardware, batteries, etc. It also raises the concern that big global players have largely stayed away from availing benefits under the scheme. The Aatmanirbhar focus—another aspect of promoting local manufacturing—has also drawn criticism for it being unrealistically hopeful of countries willing to buy from India without gaining access to the Indian market for selling here. The government has been trying to push India's manufacturing sector through a mix of local incentives given to manufacturers here and tariff barriers created to dissuade imports. But experts see the anomaly of such a policy approach.

The government should listen to its critics—a few are left, ready to risk rubbing the government the wrong way. It should be open to constructive criticism rather than attacking every critic with all its might. Nobody questions the government's intention regarding its economic policies, but it should also take the criticism in good spirits.

QUICK TAKE

PREPARE FOR SUMMER POWER DEMAND

The government will ask power PSUs to shore up gas as a crucial stop-gap power source for an unrelenting summer in 2023, jacking up power demand. This is a sound decision because gas plants are mainly meant for peak load (coal plants for base load) and can be ramped up to meet sudden power demand. But that's not enough. Pit-head coal power stations must be set up to ensure a steady coal supply and reduce logistics. States should buy power from plants with high variable costs and not insist on paying only fixed costs, thus forcing blackouts like last year.

Citizenship in India is not a Constitutional right. It is a statutory right emanating from the Citizenship Act. Yet, citizenship is a condition precedent for invoking many fundamental and Constitutional rights. It is a right to have other rights. No wonder the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) 2019, which fundamentally altered the criteria for grant of citizenship for those fleeing from Afghanistan, Pakistan and Bangladesh, led to protests across the board. Many, on the other hand, supported it. At least a few felt that there is no big deal about it, as the law only protects certain religious minorities from a few neighbouring countries. The Amendment seeks to exempt illegal migrants from these countries if they are Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis or Christians. They can also obtain Indian citizenship with relaxed conditions if they have been in India before December 31, 2014. Such preferred categories will no longer be treated as "illegal migrants".

The political agitation against the CAA, which subsided with the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic, gave way to a legal challenge, which though belatedly, the Supreme Court has decided to take up for consideration. The Court has already asked the lawyers to place their written submissions. The impact of the CAA, together with the National Register of Citizens (NRC), is thus going to be juridically deliberated.

There are pertinent questions: Does the classification based purely on religious grounds tally with the basic features of the Constitution, especially secularism? Is the classification sensible or reasonable? Is the purpose of the enactment in tune with international treaties that bind us? What will be the plight of the prominent minority in India who have been here for decades when asked to prove citizenship for NRC, which is stated to be a necessary extension of the present move?

Part II of the Constitution is on citizenship. It contains Articles 8 to 11 dealing with this topic. At the time of the commencement of the Constitution, every person having domicile in the country was given automatic citizenship by way of Article 5. Other categories entitled to citizenship also were mentioned. Article 6 deals with the citizenship of persons who migrated to India from Pakistan. According to this provision, religion is not a barrier, though there are other conditions. Article 7 is about the rights to citizenship of certain migrants to Pakistan, and Article 8 is about the citizenship of certain persons of Indian origin residing outside India. More significantly, Article 11 empowered Parliament "to regulate the

The Constitutional lens of common brotherhood gets replaced by a religious lens coloured by divisiveness

LEGISLATING RELIGIOUS REVIVALISM

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right of citizenship by law".

Parliament made the law in 1955, and the Citizenship Act came into being. It talked about citizenship by birth, descent, registration, naturalisation, incorporation of territory, etc. The Act was amended several times.

Citizenship in India was never conceived as a religious idea anywhere in the Constitution or the Citizenship Act as it originally stood. During the Constituent Assembly Debates, Alladi Krishnaswami Ayyar said that we, as a nation, cannot oppose apartheid in South Africa and plead for a racial or sectarian concept of citizenship in India. Sardar Patel, on April 29, 1947, advocated for "broad-based nationality". But there were opposing ideas also in the Assembly. "If the Muslims want an exclusive place for themselves called Pakistan, why should not Hindus and Sikhs have India as their home?"

argued P S Deshmukh on August 11, 1949.

In the tragic episode of Partition, religion mattered. Pakistan, as a nation, was born essentially on religious grounds. It chose to become what it is today. It negated secular democracy.

We, on the other hand, opted for a different path. We created a democracy envied by many across the world, despite its inherent deficits. The ghosts of Partition did not haunt us. We chose to be a liberal, inclusive, and secular republic. Romila Thapar has put it correctly: "We cannot relate our political evolution only to the politics of religion associated with Partition, since the mutation to a secular democracy was far more significant." (*On Citizenship*, Aleph, 2021).

The 2019 amendment to the Citizenship Act, however, radically altered the very idea of citizenship. For the first time,

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS IN CHARMING OLD STORIES

RENUKA NARAYANAN

FAITHLINE



from the birds that those trees sailed out to sea as a part of ships. This makes the young fir restless. "How exciting that must be," it thinks.

When yet more trees are felled, it hears from the birds that those trees were taken into homes and richly decorated, glowing with lights in a place of honour. The young



File picture

Finally, it too is cut down and made into a Christmas tree. It greatly enjoys its glory. What happens when Christmas gets over makes for a sobering but moving read

fir immediately longs to be like them. Finally, it too is cut down and made into a Christmas tree. It greatly enjoys its glory. What happens when Christmas gets over makes for a sobering but moving read.

I cannot resist another true story by Andersen from 1858, called *The Last Dream of the Old Oak*. In this story, an oak that grows atop a woody hill overlooking the sea is very pleased with itself, unlike the young fir. It has lasted over 300 years and serves as a trusty landmark to sailors out at sea. As penned by Andersen:

"On many a warm summer, the Ephemer, the flies that exist for only a day, had fluttered about the old oak, enjoyed life and felt happy and if, for a moment, one of the tiny creatures rested on one of his large

fresh leaves, the tree would always say, "Poor little creature! Your whole life consists only of a single day. How very short. It must be quite melancholy."

"Melancholy! What do you mean?" the little creature would always reply. "Everything around me is so wonderfully bright and warm, and beautiful, that it makes me joyous."

The old oak cannot understand this at all. One day however, it meets the fate of all living things, and the sailors lament its departure. The message is that all things pass, only God is 'forever', that each of us has a life to live and must make the best of it without pride.

Another moving Christmas read is the story of *Papa Panov's Special Christmas* by Russian writer Leo Tolstoy, also retold by others.

The story is about an old and lonely cobbler whose shop looks out on the street. Papa Panov feels Christmassy and sits down to read the Bible. He thinks he would never have turned Mary and Joseph away but given them his own bed. He reads of the gifts from the three kings or 'Magi' and wonders what he could have given Baby Jesus. He jumps up to take down a pair of baby shoes that he made long ago, as the perfect gift. Papa Panov longs to meet Jesus and dreams that Jesus promises him a visit. He is excited on the lookout next day, which is Christmas. He spots a cold, weary road-sweeper and calls him in for a cup of restorative coffee. He sees a shabby, worn-out looking mother trudging by, carrying her baby, and calls her in to sit by the fire. He warms some milk and presents the baby with the shoes that he wanted to give Jesus.

The day draws to a close and Papa Panov is sorely disappointed that Jesus did not come by as promised. But then he hears the voice of Jesus as though in his dream. "I was hungry and you fed me," says the voice. "I was naked and you clothed me. I was cold and you warmed me. I came to you today in every one of those you welcomed." The Biblical root of this story is *Matthew 25:35*.

Happy Christmas to you all in advance. (*shebabat09@gmail.com*)

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Similar, but poles apart

Prabhu Chawla's *It's still the boss's call, Congress or BJP* (Dec 18) is amusing to read as it has the essence of reality. Though today's political scenario has become about the boss's call, Modi's boss-ism is a little different. While one boss becomes a liability with discordant notes for his party, the other surges ahead as a valuable asset with resolute action.

Jitendra Nath Gurur, Padampur

A sound political analysis

Kudos to Prabhu Chawla for his perspicacious analysis of the leadership imbroglio in the Congress, inadequate synchronisation of the double engines in BJP-ruled states, and reshuffle chills. His inimitable style of the subheads is superb. If the Grand Old Party creates a real leader of opposition, totalitarianism and authoritarianism can be prevented. Congress-mukt Bharat is undesirable for our democracy.

Venkat Desikan, Chennai

Upset that Bilkis lost

I am sad that Bilkis Bano lost one fight against the 11 convicts in the SC. The law must be amended; the rapists must be hanged immediately after the judgment. Neither should they be allowed to appeal in higher courts nor submit a mercy petition to the president of India.

M Manivannan, email

Diabetic-friendly read

The column, *Diabetics of India unite* (Dec 18) is interesting. The columnist is correct that most hospital canteens serve unhealthy food. It is a misconception that a diabetic can't have tea with sugar or a little cake on X'mas. As she suggests rightly, eating on time and at regular intervals takes care of disease as no medicine can.

Dr M Haneef, Kottayam

Shah meets Didi

Apropos of *Shah meets Mamata in her chamber* (Dec 18). Like the news states, their meeting is politically significant at a time when the WB government and the Centre are at loggerheads over a host of issues. Hopefully, the meeting will sort things out, like the border issue, among others.

P Victor Selvaraj, email

Lake rises from dead

Apropos of *The lake lives again* (Dec 18). Hats off to Revathi Kamath for her initiative in rejuvenating the Somanahalli Lake. This will go a long way in improving the groundwater level. May there be more like Revathi for the welfare of mankind.

Hemanth D Pai, Bengaluru



TWEETS
OF THE
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Raghav Chadha @raghav_chadha
When politicians get facilities, they are called facilities, but when govt gives facilities to tax-paying people, they are insulted by calling them facilities.



Amit Malviya @amitmalviya
Rahul Gandhi derides Indian Army, then appoints Vikar Rasool Wani as the president of J&K Congress, who is known to have deep links with the Lt.



Arjun Munda @MundaArjun
Today neither our daughters nor our land is safe in Jharkhand. A conspiracy is being hatched and the Hemant govt has remained a mute spectator.

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Decks 'clear' for *INS Vikrant*-type carrier

Navy has reportedly prepared a final blueprint for the aircraft carrier that will have enhanced Made-in-India content

MAYANK SINGH @NewDelhi

IN a change of plans, the Indian Navy has suspended its plans for a larger aircraft carrier. Instead, decks for another aircraft carrier of the similar size of the recently commissioned *INS Vikrant* are almost clear with all the paperwork being complete. According to sources, the new ship is planned to be better equipped and will have added indigenously manufactured content.

Defence sources told this newspaper, "The Navy has completed all the documentation work and it is expected that the approvals from the government will come very soon."

The new aircraft carrier is also expected to be of the 45,000 displacement and will have the STOBAR technology for the onboard combat aircraft. "Short take off but arrested recovery" is a mechanism to launch and recover aircraft from the aircraft carrier. The Navy's second operational aircraft carrier *INS Vikramaditya* also has this mechanism onboard.

"The timeline will suite our

push for self-reliance as we aim to indigenise the aviation complex and it might match up with the production of the Twin Engine Deck Based Fighter (TEDBF)." added the sources. "Keeping in mind our pace, even if we take a decision on the carrier today, it will take over a year to begin the process of manufacturing," a defence source has told this newspaper earlier.

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Defence source

The *INS Vikrant* has 76 percent indigenous content which includes the equipment and machinery, involving major industrial houses in the country as well as over 100 MSMEs. "We have gained expertise and an ecosystem is set thus it will bring down the construction period," the sources added.

TEDBF is being designed for Navy and officials of the HAL have been claiming it to be ready for commissioning by 2032.

The keel of *INS Vikrant* was laid in February 2009 and it was commissioned in September. It is designed by Indian Navy's in-house Warship Design Bureau (WDB) and built by Cochin Shipyard Limited; a Public Sector



INS Mormugao during its commissioning ceremony at the naval dockyard in Mumbai on Sunday | PTI

Shipyards under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, *Vikrant* has been built with state of the art automation features and is the largest ship ever built in maritime history of India.

The process for the larger aircraft carrier has been kept in abeyance, the sources.

The Navy has been maintaining the three carriers-based force structure so that it can operate

two of them in maritime zones on each side of the Indian coastline — eastern and western coasts. This can only happen when the Navy has three carriers as one can be used as a substitute when either of the first two undergoes maintenance.

Aircraft carriers are known to have lengthy maintenance schedules. The cycle of maintenance can lead to an absence of a car-

Stealth missile destroyer inducted

MUMBAI: The stealth guided missile destroyer *Mormugao*, the second of the four *Visakhapatnam* class destroyers, was commissioned into the Indian Navy on Sunday. Speaking at the commissioning ceremony in Mumbai, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said *INS Mormugao* is evidence of India's excellence in warship design and development. *INS Mormugao* is among the most powerful indigenous warships and is the most technologically advanced warship, he said. The Navy chief said the commissioning of the warship, on the eve of the Goa Liberation Day, is indicative of the large strides taken by the Navy.

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POWER GAMES



Star Power

KAMAL HAASAN MAY JOIN BHARAT JODO IN DELHI

Superstar Kamal Haasan is likely to join Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra in Delhi. Sources said an invitation to join the yatra has been sent to him through the Tamil Nadu unit of Congress, and the matinee idol has accepted the invitation. An announcement about his joining the yatra is likely to be made soon. The Bharat Jodo yatra will enter Delhi on December 23 from Faridabad in Haryana and cross the national capital to end the city leg at the Gandhi Samadhi at Rajghat. Kamal Haasan is likely to join the yatra from Faridabad to Rajghat. The Congress party was initially planning to get Haasan to join the Yatra in Rajasthan but decided to have him in Delhi for a larger show in the national capital. Haasan fared badly in 2021 with his political party Makkal Needhi Maiam facing a rout in the Tamil Nadu assembly election in which he himself lost from Coimbatore, though by a thin margin. He has, however, bounced back in 2022 with the release of his blockbuster film *Vikram*. Sources said his joining hands with Rahul Gandhi may result in his party's alliance with the DMK-led front in Tamil Nadu.

Cong sharpens Tawang tirade against BJP, says PM evading LAC debate

PREETHA NAIR @NewDelhi

THE Congress on Sunday continued its tirade against the government on its silence over the December 9 face-off between India and China in the Tawang sector of Arunachal Pradesh and accused it of running away from a debate on the matter.

Listing out five pointed questions to Prime Minister Modi, AICC general secretary Communications Jai Ram Ramesh sought to know from the government 'what emboldened the Chinese to try and take over the Indian post in the Yangtze area of Tawang?'

The spokesperson said that India has dominated Yangtze since former Prime Minister PM Rajiv Gandhi deployed forces in that sector in 1986 during the Sumdorong Chu confrontation.

"How have the Chinese dared to open a new front?" he asked. In 1986, the Chinese army crossed the LAC and intruded the Sumdorong Chu valley in Arunachal Pradesh, and began military build-up in the area. However, the Indian Army succeeded in diffusing the situation and sub-



Some time ago you expressed brotherhood and closeness for President Xi Jinping and described your relationship as 'plus one'. You said that Xi ne adhyayan karake rakha tha akhira Modi cheez kya hai

Jai Ram Ramesh, Congress leader

sequently, the PLA backed off. The Indian government also deputed ND Tiwari, the then External Affairs Minister to visit Beijing in May 1987," he said.

Senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's recent remarks that China is preparing for war and the government is 'ignoring' the threat has set off a war of words between the BJP and Congress. On Saturday, Congress asked seven pointed questions about the border situation, seeking answers from PM Modi through his 'Mann ki Baat' radio broadcast.

Questioning the Modi government on its close ties with China, Ramesh said that the PM is running away from debating the matter. "Some time ago you expressed brotherhood and closeness for President Xi Jinping and described your relationship as 'plus one'. You said that Xi ne adhyayan karake rakha tha akhira Modi cheez kya hai," he said.

He also expressed doubts if China's renewed aggressiveness is the result of such a close study. "Could it be, as you said in 2013, 'The problem is not at the border, the problem is in Delhi,' he said?"

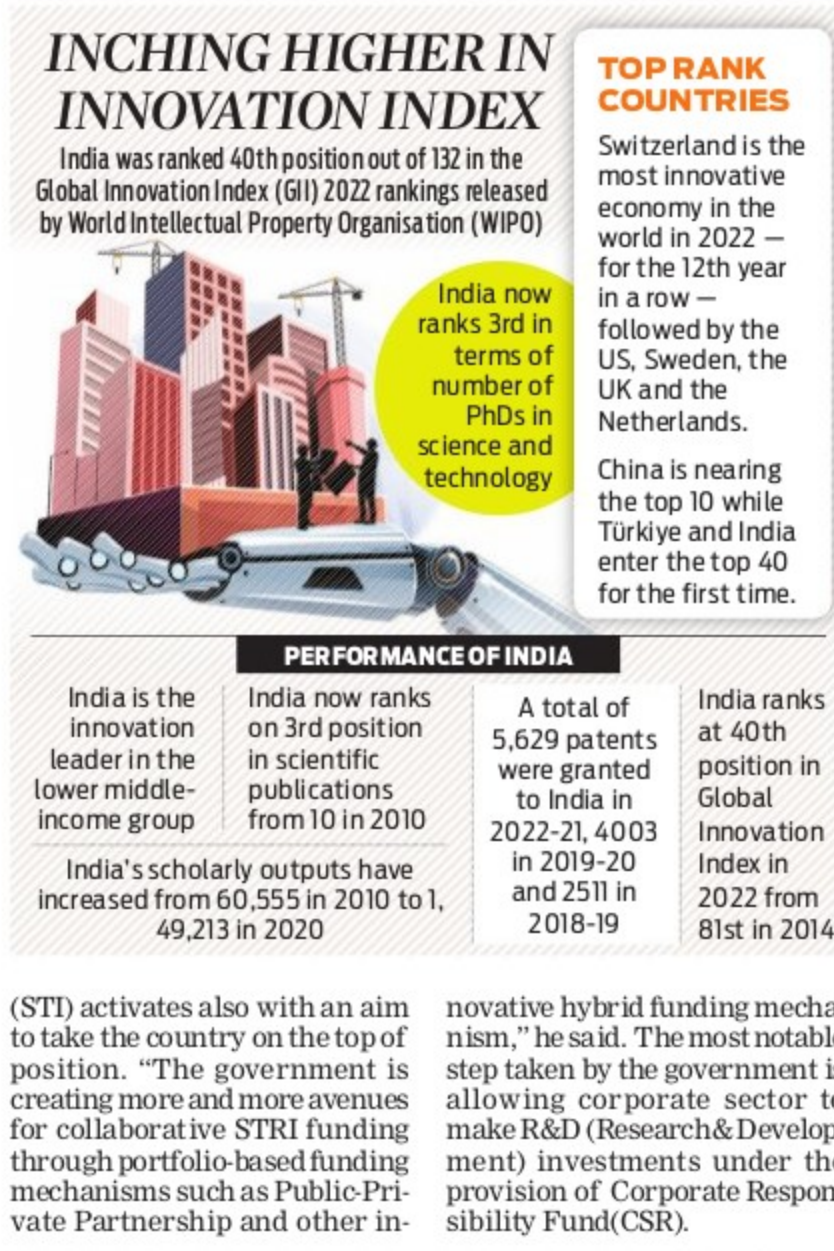
India has improved ranking in innovation, min tells House

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @NewDelhi

AFTER decades of sustained efforts in science and technology sector, India has significantly improved its position in the Global Innovation Index having obtained 40th position in 2022 from 81st in 2014. Not only in this, has India also improved its position globally in 'scholarly outputs' in the last one decade.

Sharing all this, Union Minister for Science and Technology (Independent Charge) Dr Jitendra Singh informed the Parliament that country's Research Performance (RPs) in science and technology has also significantly improved in the past few years making it visible through large amount of scientific knowledge in terms of research publications, development of technologies and innovations.

Quoting the Science & Engineering Indicators 2022 report of NSF (National Science Foundation), Dr Singh said: "India's position globally in scientific publications improved from 7th position in 2010 to 3rd position in 2020". He further said that country's scholarly outputs in science and technology sector has also increased from 60,555 papers in 2010 to 1,49,213 papers in 2020. Outlining the government's several steps taken up to boost the science and Technology sector, Dr Singh said that the government has started working for improving the ease of doing business in the Science and Technology and Innovation



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Dr Jitendra Singh, Union Minister for Science and Technology

Nadu for the month-long KTS, which ended on December 16.

As one enters his house nestled in the labyrinth of lanes and bylanes, it is easy to spot boys and young men, clad in white dhoti, with their foreheads smeared with horizontal tilak, speaking in Tamil. Even some signages are in Tamil and hotels and cafes such as 'New Madras Café', 'New Madras Tour Travels' and 'Hotel Tamil Nadu' can be seen.

"I feel honoured and proud that I am the first Tamilian to be made the trustee of the Kashi Vishwanath temple," said Ghanapati, who feeds over 100 to 150 people visiting him delicious staple south Indian food daily.

Just a few metres from Ghanapati's place is the house where renowned Tamil writer, poet and freedom fighter late C Subramania Bharati lived. A small portion of the house, which was renovated into a museum, was virtually inaugurated by Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin on December 11.

Mini Tamil Nadu in Kashi connects to old roots

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @Varanasi

FOR the 250-odd families living in Hanuman, Kedar and Harishchandra Ghats of Varanasi — known as mini Tamil Nadu — the just-concluded Kashi Tamil Sangamam (KTS) rekindled the ancient connect between Kashi and Kashi.

The bond between this cultural city in Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu is centuries-old, as the several mutts and temples — some even having Dravidian architectural designs — have been attracting thousands of Tamil pilgrims not only from India but abroad — mainly to perform the after-life rituals that the deceased families conduct for their dear ones.

"The ties between Kashi and Tamil Nadu are centuries-old as it is the abode of Lord Shiva. We are delighted that this first-of-its-kind initiative was taken to revive and further strengthen our connection," K Venkat Ramana Ghanapati, a vedic pandit and the first person of Tamil origin, who has been



K Venkat Ramana Ghanapati

made Trustee at Shri Kashi Vishwanath Temple Trust by the Uttar Pradesh government, told this Daily.

The announcement was made during KTS.

"The Kashi Tamil Sangamam not only brought to limelight the flourishing Tamil culture and traditions, which is so much part of this temple-town but also helped in highlighting the many contributions of our ancestors and saints in the ar-



House of Subramania Bharati

ease of arts, culture and education," added Ghanapati, who is a fifth-generation priest and lives in a 100-year-old house near Harishchandra Ghat.

Ghanapati, whose great-grandfather was the one who had come to Varanasi, and chose to settle down here, said it was indeed a "proud feeling" when he met and interacted with the 2,500 delegates, including priests, farmers and students from all across Tamil

Maharashtra BJP chief wants Fadnavis as CM

SUDHIR SURAYWANSHI @Mumbai

ON the eve of the Maharashtra state assembly's winter session in Nagpur, Maharashtra BJP president Chandrashekhar Bawankule dropped a political bombshell saying he wanted to see deputy chief minister Devendra Fadnavis as the CM of Maharashtra soon.

Interestingly, Bawankule made this statement on Sunday in Nagpur only. Addressing the Telugu community's public gathering in Nagpur, Bawankule, who himself belong to the same community, said that as long as he is the party state president, Devendra Fadnavis should become the CM of Maharashtra for overall development of the state.

He said, "We all need to work in such a manner that Fadnavis will get that post of CM. It is not about getting him that post, but it is for the overall development of Maharashtra state. If



one person can define the future of Maharashtra, it is Devendraji."

Reacting to BJP state president's statement, NCP leader Amol Mitkari said that Bawankule has spoken the truth that has been circulating in BJP circles for long. He said that earlier senior BJP minister Chandrakant Patil said that Devendra Fadnavis is the real chief of this government.

"The statement of Bawankule shows that the BJP has prepared the plan B to pull the plug of Eknath Shinde sooner than later," he said.

India votes against Nazi glorification

YESHI SELI @NewDelhi

INDIA has voted in favour of Russian resolution of combating glorification of Nazism at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

The UNGA has adopted a resolution that was submitted by Russia titled "Combating Glorification of Nazism, Neo-Nazism and Other Practices that Contribute to Fuelling Contemporary Forms of Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance."

In the voting, 120 nations voted in favour of adopting the resolution, 10 abstained and 50 nations voted against it.

The US, EU member states and Ukraine voted against the resolution while Israel, India, China and Serbia were among those nations that backed the Russian-drafted resolution.

KILLED
A municipality chairman died after his car was hit by a container truck in Haridwar, Uttar Pradesh on Sunday, police said. The deceased has been identified as Ankit Jaiswal, chairman of Mallawan municipality.

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IN MAHA FOR SEXUALLY ASSAULTING MINOR

Ahmedabad	32	18	Mumbai	35	25
Bhopal	28	13	Panaji	32	22
Jaipur	25	09	Patna	24	11
Amritsar	23	06	Lucknow	24	10
Chennai	29	25	Port Blair	30	26
Kolkata	26	15	Imphal	23	10
Srinagar	12	-4	Chandigarh	24	06

Dozen more cheetahs for MP's Kuno

India, South Africa finalising talks, first batch of big cats likely to arrive next month

ANURAG SINGH @Bhopal

WHILE the eight cheetahs, which were flown in from Namibia on Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 72nd birthday on September 17, 2022, are mastering the art of hunting in big enclosures, the same Kuno National Park (KNP) in Madhya Pradesh's Sheopur district is gearing up to welcome 10-12 Cheetahs from South Africa by the end of next month.

While the eight Namibian cheetahs marked the reintroduction of the fastest land animal in India after 75 years of their extinction from the same country, the set of 10-12 cheetahs from South Africa will mark the next important chapter in the ongoing inter-continental cheetah reintroduction project. According to sources at the KNP and the MP Forest Department, the union minister for forest, environment and climate change Bhupendra Yadav has dropped enough hints about the first set of cheetahs arriving at KNP by the end of January 2023.

The governments of the two nations — India and South Africa — are in the final stages of paving the way for relocation of cheetahs at the KNP.

As many as 12-14 new quaran-



Bringing them home

tine enclosures are close to being fully developed at KNP.

"The final dates can only be given by the union ministry as well as the special task force constituted by the Centre for coordinating and monitoring the inter-continental cheetah translocation project. But as per information with us, 10-12 cheetahs from South Africa will be at KNP by the end of next month," said a senior state forest department official.

Meanwhile, all the eight Namibian cheetahs, including five females and three males, are

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Forest department official

now in the bigger enclosures. "The wildlife experts from Namibia are surprised over the speed with which the cheetahs have adapted to the conditions at the KNP," the forest department official added.

MP govt to scrutinise educational content of madrasas after complaints

ANURAG SINGH @Bhopal

THE Shivraj Singh Chouhan-led BJP government has decided to scrutinize the study material of Madrasas in Madhya Pradesh following complaints and reports about Hindu children not only having been enrolled in madrasas instead of schools, but also being taught books containing objectionable religious content.

"Objectionable religious content being taught to students at some madrasas has come to our knowledge. To prevent any untoward incident in future, the district collectors will be directed to get the study material of madrasas scrutinized by the education department of the concerned districts," MP home minister and state government's official spokesperson Narottam Mishra said on Sunday.

In an official statement released by Mishra's office, it was mentioned that it has come to the state government's knowledge that some books that contain objectionable content about those who don't believe and follow Islam are being taught at madrasas in some districts. "All district collectors

will soon be directed to thoroughly scrutinize the study material being given to students. The state government is serious on the issue and will ensure that controversial content or books aren't taught at madrasas," the statement added.

Importantly, the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) has recently taken cognizance of reports, about some Hindu children from lower socio-economic strata not getting admission at government schools and instead ending up being taught at madrasas meant for Muslim students in the same areas of at least two districts, including Vidisha and Datia. The Commission

had also received complaints about objectionable religious content being taught at these madrasas. While at one madrasa in Datia district of Gwalior-Chambal region, out of the total 67 students 26 reportedly are Hindu, whereas in Vidisha district a group of Gond tribe children were being taught. The NCPCR chairperson Priyanka Kanoongo said, "The main question arises as to how come Hindu kids were being taught Islamic religious education."

J'khand man chops 2nd wife into 18 pieces

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IN yet another cold blooded murder of a woman from tribal community, a 22-year old woman Rubika Paharin was allegedly chopped into more than 18 pieces by her husband Dildar Ansari in Jharkhand's Sahibganj. After cutting the body into pieces by an electric cutter, Ansari tried to hide some of them in his uncle's abandoned house and left some of them to the dogs. Though the incident took place late on Friday night, it was reported on Saturday after people spotted the dogs eating human flesh.

Police said that they have recovered 18 pieces of the body while, Rubika's head and other body parts are still missing. Rubika was Dildar's second wife and they had got married merely a month ago. "His first wife was also living with them. Due to a dispute, Dildar with other family members killed Rubika, cut her body into pieces and threw them," said DIG Sudarshan Mandal. The accused has been arrested, he added.

HONEYTRAP: HOW MONEY TRAIL LED TO TANKS' DESIGNS

RAMASHANKAR @Patna

RAVI Chaurasaiya, a former employee of Heavy Vehicles Factory, Avadi (Chennai) who was arrested on Saturday in north Muzaffarpur for providing classified information and photographs of machines to a Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) agent, has made shocking revelations.

According to Ravi, he had made several trips to Nepal to meet the ISI agent and other ISI operatives and had shared technical details of armoured combat vehicles and photographs in return of money.

Photographs of tanks and cannons were also found in his mobile phone. Police are now verifying Ravi's bank accounts in which he allegedly received money, credited by the ISI agent. He has his accounts with SBI, Axis Bank

and Union Bank. Police said that Ravi had changed SIM cards of his mobile phone several times, apparently under the ISI's pressure.

Ravi had stored designs of tanks and cannons developed in India and their mechanical and technical details and photographs of the armoured combat vehicles and supplied them to the female ISI agent, police added.

Ravi was subjected to intensive interrogation by the Special Branch, IB and other central agencies even as specialists were verifying mobile phones seized from him.

After the court's permission, seized documents and other materials will be sent to the forensic laboratory for further investigation. Senior officials of central investigating agencies and those of the state quizzed Ravi for several hours on Saturday.



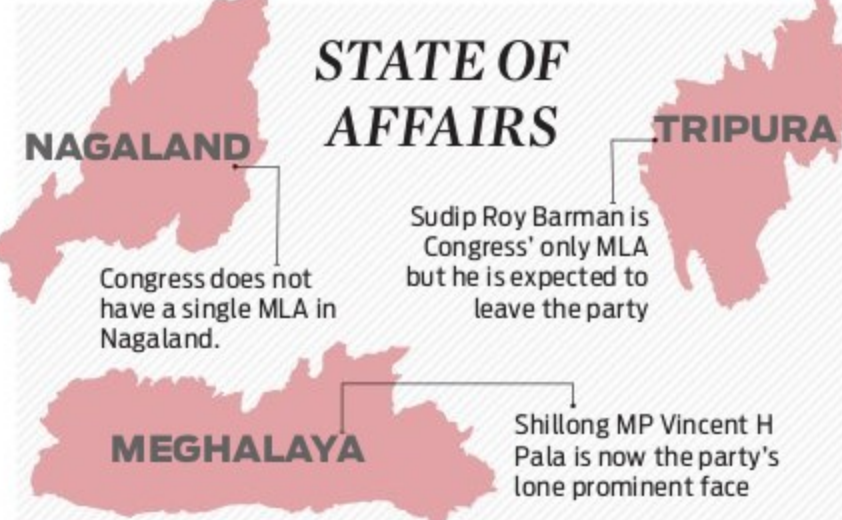
As three N-E states gear up for polls, a question of survival for Congress

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THE upcoming polls in three states of the Northeast will be a battle for survival for the Congress, which once ruled the entire region but has got reduced to a shadow of its glorious past. The Congress' slide in the Northeast began after the BJP's emergence as a powerhouse in 2014. Simultaneous elections in the 60-member Assemblies of Nagaland, Meghalaya and Tripura are expected in February. As it appears now, the Congress is not in the race to power in any of the states. It lacks leaders after many of them embraced the ruling party or other parties over a period of time amid the BJP's juggernaut.

The Congress does not have a single MLA in Nagaland, just one in Tripura and five in Meghalaya. However, the five in Meghalaya were suspended earlier this year by the party's central leadership for cosying up to the Conrad K Sangma government where the BJP is a component. The Congress had emerged as the single largest party in the 2018 Meghalaya elections but the National People's Party-led motley alliance kept it at bay by forming the government.

In November last year, 12 of the 17 Congress MLAs, led by former CM Mukul Sangma, jumped ship and joined Trinamool Congress (TMC). Their



desertion had relegated the grand-old party to a smaller party and made the Mamata Banerjee-led TMC, the state's principal opposition party overnight. Shillong MP, Vincent H Pala is now the Congress' lone prominent face in the Christian-majority state. The Congress will not, perhaps, have a single MLA by the time it goes to elections as the five suspended legislators have more or less ditched the party and are likely to contest the polls on the tickets of other political parties. In Tripura, Sudip Roy Barman is the Congress' only MLA. He had won

the last election on the BJP's ticket and was inducted into the ministry but he resigned from the Assembly and the party in February this year after falling out with the then CM Bipul Kumar Deb. Later, he won a by-election, necessitated by his resignation. The Congress had failed to win a single seat in the 2018 Tripura elections, which the BJP swept, decimating the Left. The Congress had also drawn a blank in the Nagaland elections in 2018.

"So what if we have one MLA? Atal Bihari Vajpayee had just two MPs but he went on to become the PM," said Tripura Congress chief Birajit Sinha.

So what if we have one MLA? Atal Bihari Vajpayee had just two MPs but he went on to become the Prime Minister. There is a loot going on in Tripura. People will vote us. — BIRAJIT SINHA, Tripura Congress chief

Militants issue fresh warning to Valley Pandits

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MILITANTS on Sunday issued a fresh threat to PM-package Kashmiri Pandit employees in Jammu and Kashmir and accused them of playing "victim card" to gain benefits. In a fresh threat on the blacklisted blog "Kashmir Fight", Lashkar-e-Taiba affiliate The Resistance Front (TRF) outfit enlisted six government officials of the education department, five of whom belong to minority community, to warn the PM package employees.

"The list should serve as an eye-opener for all those who try to be sympathizers of migrant Kashmiri Pandit PM Package stooges. They have always played the victim card to gain benefits from all sides (sic)," reads the TRF's threat letter.

The blog, according to police, is being run by the Lashkar-e-Taiba. "In early 1990s, they used to be pawns of IB and now they serve the Sanghi agenda. The list is very big and soon the blood of these traitors will shed," warned the militants.

Man-animal conflict: Schoolkids get armed protection in Corbett area

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DUE to the growing terror of elephants and leopards in the forests of Dhela range of Jim Corbett National Park, children are going to school with special armed protection from forest personnel.

Shriram Yadav, principal of Government Inter College Dhela, gave this information to Dhela Ranger Sanchita Verma. Speaking to The New Indian Express, Sanchita Verma, forest range officer of Dhela range, said, "School children noticed footprints of elephants and leopards on their way to Patrani forest village, following which the forest department has made elaborate arrangements for their safety."

Navedu Mathpal, a teacher at Dhela Inter College, said that for a few days, children coming from Patrani had reported sighting of elephants on the way.

This information was given to the Dhela range of Corbett Tiger Reserve Park. Children were advised not to go to school if there was a high risk. On



An armed forest personnel with schoolkids near Corbett on Sunday | EXPRESS

Thursday, the children said that the elephant blocked the children's way and on the way, a tigress was also seen along with its young cubs.

RO Sanchita further said, "Two separate armed teams have been deployed in Jhirna and Dhela ranges in morning and evening shifts to ferry school children from home to school and back."

"Since there are three to four routes that children pass



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Nitish Kumar ko gussa kyon aata hai?

Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar once again lost his cool in the state assembly. This time, on leader of opposition Vijay Kumar Sinha who targeted him for deaths in hooch tragedy in Saran district. Nitish was so angry that he addressed BJP leaders as 'tum', a Hindi word used for people who are younger in terms of age. It is not for the first time that Sinha became the target of Nitish's outburst. Also, it is not that the young leader Tejashwi Yadav has not 'tasted' Nitish's fury as he had too touched a raw nerve.



Why not now? PK asks on Tejashwi's elevation

Poll strategist Prashant Kishor, who is presently touring across Bihar and also identifying 'right people' before he launches his own party with them, has shown how much he values patience in politics. But he does not want the same level of patience everywhere. So, he has advised septuagenarian Nitish Kumar to elevate his deputy Tejashwi Yadav to the post of CM now. PK argues, "Why 2025, why not now, let people decide whether Tejashwi is worthy of the CM post by assessing his performance in three years." Though it is least expected that Nitish will respond to PK who is targeting his government in all possible manners.

G20 engagement groups meet in March

The Bihar government has selected the Art and Culture Department as the nodal department for the proposed meeting of 'G20 engagement groups' to be held in the state on March 6 and 7 next year. The meetings will be held in Raigir (Nalanda) and Gaya. The state is hosting the G20 engagement groups meeting for the first time. State Art and culture department secretary Bandana Preyasi said the process of finalising cultural events showcasing the state's rich cultural heritage and tourist attractions has already begun. India assumed the G20 Presidency from Indonesia for one year recently. India will host the G20 leaders summit for the first time and also hold 200 different meetings in several locations.

Bank FDs yield positive returns as inflation falls

Banks are trying to woo investors by increasing interest rates. Since investors are looking for fixed income, FDs have now become an attractive option

SACHIN KUMAR @Mumbai

WITH recent rounds of interest rate hikes by banks and fall in inflation, Fixed Deposits (FDs) have started yielding positive returns, making them attractive for investors.

Driven by banks' aggressive drive to attract depositors, interest rates on FDs have now crossed 7% while CPI inflation has fallen below 6%.

Returns on FDs are considered positive when banks offer higher rates than inflation while negative returns mean when inflation is higher than interest rates.

Retail inflation, measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), eased to 5.88% in November from 6.77% in the previous month. It was 7.4% in September.

For the whole year, the RBI expects the inflation to be around 6.7%.

Major banks hike FD rates

After the Reserve Bank of India

(RBI) hiked repo rate, the rate at which the central bank lends to banks, by 35 basis points (bps) on December 7, banks have started increasing rates on FDs.

Major players in the banking sector including SBI, ICICI, HDFC, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Axis Bank have raised rates on retail deposits up to ₹2 crore. By raising rates, banks are trying to attract investors who want high returns but are risk averse.

"With equity not generating expected returns in the last 12 months and rising interest rates on the back of elevated levels of inflation, investors are increasing their share of investments in fixed income instruments," Ujwal Shah, Fund Manager, IIFL Securities told TNIE.

He added that with global interest rates at record highs this trend may continue for some time. SBI, country's largest bank, has raised interest rates on FDs by up to 65 basis points.

HIGHER RETURNS



The bank is now offering interest rates between 3% and 6.75% for regular citizens and 3.50% to 7.25% for senior citizens for FDs with a tenure between 7 days and 10 years.

Kotak Mahindra Bank has also increased rates, and is offering 7% interest on FDs with 390 days, 391 days less than 23 months and 23 months tenures.

Commenting on the rate hikes, Virat Diwanji, Group President and Head - Consumer Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank

said, "With the RBI increasing key interest rates, we have passed on the benefit to our valuable customers. This is a savers' market. Locking money in fixed deposits will help customers earn higher returns on their savings."

Joining other lenders, ICICI Bank has also raised rates, and it is now offering rates ranging from 3% to 7% on retail deposits for regular citizens and 3.50% to 7.50% for senior citizens for tenure between 7 days and 10 years.



Most of the banks give 50 bps interest to senior citizens over and above the general customers.

HDFC Bank is offering interest rates ranging from 3% to 7% for the general public and 3.50% to 7.50% for senior citizens for tenure between 7 days and 10 years. Axis Bank is offering 3.5% to 7% interest rates for the general public on deposits maturing in 7 days to 10 years.

Inflation outlook

The outlook for inflation for the

next year suggests that 2023 will be the year of positive returns for depositors as inflation is expected to decline further during next year while FDs will continue to offer higher rates.

As per RBI's forecast, inflation is expected to be 6.7% in the financial year 2022-23, and it expects prices to fall further in coming months.

"CPI inflation for Q1 2023-24 is projected at 5% and for Q2 at 5.4%, on the assumption of a normal monsoon," said RBI in its Monetary Policy Statement released on December 7 this year.

While inflation is likely to moderate in coming quarters, rates on FDs are expected to either inch upward or stay at current levels as experts expect more repo rate hikes from the RBI.

"With CPI inflation likely to moderate further supported by base effect and the relief provided by easing global commodity prices, RBI could

moderate the pace of rate hike," said Rajani Sinha, Chief Economist, Care Ratings.

However, core inflation and household inflationary expectations still remain high, hence the central bank would remain vigilant on the inflation front," added Rajani Sinha.

"As real rate of interest moves to the positive territory, RBI would like to wait and watch the implications of the rate hikes so far. Given the looming uncertainties on the inflation front, we feel that a further 25 bps rate hike in February cannot be ruled out," she added.

Increase in repo rate by the RBI increases cost of borrowing for the banks which in turn hike deposit rates to mobilise funds from the depositors.

In a bid to tame inflation, which has stayed above its comfort zone of 2-6%, the central bank has raised the repo rate by 225 bps since April this year.

MONEY MATTERS

WHY STOCK MARKET TRADING IS A ZERO-SUM GAME



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PERHAPS for the first time, a stockbroker, who benefits from your trading activity, is sharing concerns about customers trading in risky products.

If you are a trader in the stock market looking to make fast money, it is a wrong expectation. In a business update published last week, Nithin Kamath, chief executive officer at Zerodha, the biggest stockbroker in India by market share, said that less than 1% of those who actively trade equity futures and options generate returns higher than bank fixed deposits or 7% annually.

The brokerage has promised to release more granular information in the next few weeks. Such an initiative must be welcomed. It will only strengthen awareness about risks associated with daily stock market trading.

It is very uncommon for a stockbroker to caution existing and prospective customers as it hurts their business. The more you trade, the more money brokers make through every trans-

action. This note of caution goes against that.

We knew it all along. Stock market trading alone cannot be your ideal wealth-creation tool. Buying and selling shares is a zero-sum game. Anyone who has spent time in a dealing room would endorse it. There is an underlying difference between stock market trading and stock market investing.

Many people get attracted by the publicity people make on social media about trading profits. It is difficult to make money instantly as stock market trading requires you to learn the right skills. That applies to investing too. You cannot only rely on your ability to buy low and sell high to create wealth in the short-term. You can get wealthy only if you give your money enough time to grow.

Your risk appetite

There is nothing to stop you from believing and working for wealth creation. It is your fundamental right to ensure your financial well-being and that of your loved ones. However, risk needs to be constantly assessed as you do so. Your ability to take risks in the equity markets depends on your ability to generate future income. There is a strange dichotomy in the argument.

You need a guaranteed source of income for you to take up risky trading positions. That also matters when you have to select the right stocks while investing. Ideally, your future income should be an independent source. That could be your inheritance or savings accumu-

lated over the years combined with your current income.

However, you cannot be an active trader in your spare time. Stock market trading cannot be a part-time activity. You must have skin in the game to be a part of the less than 1% traders who generate a higher return than inflation.

If your future income depends on your stock market trading and investment activity, you need to be even more cautious. You cannot put your money at risk through trading strategies that could lead to significant losses.

The most considerable risk is when you borrow to fund your trading strategies. Borrowing to trade can be dangerous for individuals. "Leverage carries huge risks and should be avoided by most, especially retail investors," admits Kamath in his note.

Currently, Zerodha does not offer a margin trading facility. However, he also states that competitive pressure could push the company to have that feature sooner than later. Kamath promises, though, that it would not lure people into



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borrowing.

Value and growth investing

If you do not have the stomach for losses, avoid any trading activity in the stock market. A simple way towards wealth generation for most individuals is to 'get rich slow'. Famous American investor Warren Buffett once said that nobody wants to do that. Everyone wants to get rich quickly. He is a proponent of value investing. He loves to buy when everyone sells and sell when everyone buys. However, knowing the right time is anything but easy.

You can simply look at future growth prospects for businesses and invest in them regularly. That could be directly or indirectly through index funds or mutual funds. Regular investing through the rupee-cost-averaging method can go a long way in generating wealth.

MONEY-WISE

WHAT IS RETIREMENT INVESTING?



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INVESTING is the act of buying assets today so that we can get some income (dividend, interest, rent) and some appreciation while selling it. So, we can buy shares, bonds, mutual funds, gold, Real Estate - and get income and appreciation in return.

When we buy shares, we get dividends and we get appreciation of the share price. When you are young and building your portfolio, you should be buying shares in companies that are growth-oriented. The reason for this is very simple - you have cur-

rent income and you do not need the investment income. So let us say you start building your portfolio (of equity shares) at age 24. You should be buying good growth shares, in your 40s and even in your 50s you should start looking at good dividend yield shares.

One way of ensuring that you never run out of money in retirement is to build an equity portfolio where your dividends are greater than your day-to-day expenses.

As the dividend growth is mostly higher than inflation, the higher expenses will be met by increasing dividends. However, you should also have a debt portfolio, which is the 'Go To' place for liquidity when the markets are weak or down.

The advantage of building an equity portfolio for creating wealth has its advantages. Initially you get dividends (cash cannot be faked for too long). Or when you are young you invest in small companies with more growth prospects. Then in your 30s you start buying some shares that pay dividends too. Now you start building your 'Retire-

ment Portfolio' - so that you know when to retire.

At some stage when your dividend income is greater than your expenses, it is a great signal to retire. You are now what we call 'Financial Independence' - financial independence is the first two words in FIRE - Financial Independence to Retire Early. Now you have the choice of retirement. Financial Independence does not mean you have to retire. It means you can retire.

When you reach your age of 'X' - the age when your dividend income is greater than your expenses, you must realise that the base portfolio cannot be touched till you are at least 70 years of age.

Knowing how much of one asset class you can sell and when is not easy to know. If you are drawing down from a portfolio, you need to know the 'Bucket' theory of knowing from which bucket how much to invest.

If you do not know this, please get an advisor - age 55 is too late to learn on your own. You do not have time to go back to a job in a worst-case scenario.

So, build your direct equity portfolio, do a SIP in a Multi-Asset fund, and continuously learn about investing, personal finance, medical and life insurance. This is applicable to women as much as to the men around in the world. Health, wealth, cooking, leisure and hobbies - all these are life-skills that are not taught by the education system, so it becomes the duty of the parent to initiate them on these skills. It is for the kids to learn and appreciate these things.



NARCL makes offer for ₹67k cr distressed assets

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IN a bid to clean up the balance sheets of banks and reduce bad loans, National Asset Reconstruction Company Limited (NARCL) has made a binding offer to acquire over ₹67,000 crore of distressed assets of 12 entities.

Sharing an update about NARCL's progress, the Ministry of Finance said that there was significant progress in lowering Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) of banks.

"Binding offers have been made in 12 accounts aggregating ₹67,090 crore while due diligence is underway in 22 accounts by NARCL," said the Ministry of Finance in a tweet on Saturday.

"The progress is gathering pace and we expect good results in the coming months for this initiative to unburden the banks of managing some large NPAs," it added.

Registered with the RBI as an Asset Reconstruction Company under SARFAESI Act 2002, NARCL is an initiative to

clean up legacy stressed assets in the Indian banking system. According to RBI data, gross NPAs reached ₹7.73 lakh crore as of December 31, 2021. Set up on July 7, 2021, the NARCL seeks to help the banks to get rid of their bad loans.

NPAs of Indian banks are expected to come down in coming years as NARCL plans to acquire a substantial chunk of distressed assets.

NET DIRECT TAX COLLECTIONS FOR FY23 SOAR 20% TILL 17 DEC

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NET direct tax collections for 2022-23 has reached ₹11,35,754 crore as on 17 December 2022, showing a 19.81% growth compared to ₹9,47,959 crore in the corresponding period of the preceding Financial Year 2021-22.

The Net Direct Tax collection of ₹11,35,754 crore includes ₹6,06,679 crore in corporation tax and ₹5,26,477 crore (net of refund) in Personal Income Tax (PIT) including Securities Transaction Tax (STT).

The Gross collection of Direct Taxes (before adjusting for refunds) for 2022-23 stands at ₹13,63,649 crore compared to ₹10,83,150 crore in the corresponding period of the preceding financial year, registering a growth of 25.90% over collec-



tions of 2021-22.

The Gross collection of ₹13,63,649 crore includes corporation tax at ₹7,25,036 crore and personal income tax including STT at ₹6,35,920 crore. Advance Taxes accounted for ₹5,21,302 crore, tax deducted at source (TDS) accounted for ₹6,44,761 crore; Self-Assessment Tax of ₹1,40,105 crore; Regular Assessment Tax of ₹46,244 crore; and Tax under other minor heads of ₹11,237 crore.

Of the total advance taxes

collected till 17 December 2022, corporate taxes accounted for ₹3,97,364 crore, while personal taxes accounted for ₹1,23,936 crore.

During the same period, refunds amounting to ₹2,27,896 crore were issued as against refunds of ₹1,35,191 crore issued during the corresponding period in the preceding financial year, showing a growth of over 68.57%.

There has been a remarkable increase in the speed of processing of income tax returns filed during the current fiscal, with almost 96.5% of the duly verified ITRs having been processed till 17 December. This has resulted in faster issue of refunds with almost a 109% increase in the number of refunds issued in the current financial year.

Sensex, Nifty to remain under pressure this week

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A hawkish stance by the US Federal Reserve where it clearly indicated raising benchmark interest rates next year as well to tackle rising inflation has triggered a sharp fall in the global equity market including India.

The Fed increased the rates by 50 basis points last week following which the European Central Bank and the Bank of England also announced a similar rate hike.

Going ahead this week, market experts believe that India's equity market will remain under pressure as there are no major events taking place this week and investors would like to book profits after a two-month long rally. "Apart from the feeble global cues, contin-

ued profit taking in the banking index may result in further decline and Nifty could test the 18,000-18,100 zone soon. On the higher side, 18,500-18,750 would act as hurdles.

Since all the sectors are largely trading in tandem with the benchmark, participants should plan their exits in profitable trades and stay selective for fresh positions," said Ajit Mishra, VP - Technical Research, Religare Broking Ltd. Markets shed over a percent for the second consecutive week, tracking weak global cues. On Friday, the BSE Sensex finished at 61,337.81 lower by 461.22 points or 0.75%. The broader Nifty 50 ended at 18,269 below 145.90 points or 0.79%. In the week that ended on December 16, Sensex shed 1.4%, while Nifty 50 declined by over 1.2%.



Oz crush South Africa inside 2 days in 1st Test



Australia's bowlers ripped through South Africa's batting lineup for the second straight day as the hosts stormed to a 6-wicket win in the first Test in a wild opening to the three-Test series that saw 34 wickets fall inside two days. Pat Cummins took 5 wickets. **Brief scores:** SA 152 & 99 in 37.4 ovs (Cummins 5/42) lost to Aus 218 & 35/4 in 7.5 ovs (Rabada 4/13).

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GOOD, BAD AND SILLY

Lionel Messi & Kylian Mbappe have dazzled at the World Cup, while Morocco caught the imagination of a continent on their run to the semifinals. The hosts Qatar flopped, Germany made a swift exit and Cristiano Ronaldo discovered he was no longer an automatic pick for Portugal. Here are the hits and misses...

OVERACHIEVERS MOROCCO

The team became the first African side and the first Arab team to reach the WC semifinals. Walid Regragui's men, ranked 22nd in the world, beat Belgium and drew with Croatia on the way to topping their group before dumping 2010 champs Spain & Portugal out of the tournament. Roared on by thousands of fans and supported across Africa and the Arab world, they came up short in the semis, but they have broken new ground.

SUPERSTARS SHINE

Lionel Messi and Kylian Mbappe, who went head to head in the final, have certainly lived up to their stellar billing. The forwards were vying for the Golden Boot till the final.

Messi, 35, though lacking his former pace, has shown an uncanny knack to turn on the style at key moments, highlighted by his dazzling run to set up Julian Alvarez for the third goal against Croatia in the semifinals.

Mbappe, 23, is ready to take on his Paris Saint-Germain teammate's mantle as the best player in the world, looking unstoppable at times for defending champions France.

YOUNG GUNS

● A clutch of young players have announced themselves on the biggest stage in Qatar.

● Man City forward Julian Alvarez has already scored four goals while Portugal's Goncalo Ramos smashed a hat-trick against Switzerland after being brought in to replace Ronaldo.

● England pair Bukayo Saka and Jude Bellingham caught the eye along with Dutch forward Cody Gakpo, while Croatia's Josko Gvardiol enjoyed an outstanding tournament.

FALLEN GIANTS

Cristiano Ronaldo: The superstar left the pitch in tears after Morocco ended his WC dream. The forward, without a club after his painful divorce from Man United, scored Portugal's first WC goal from the spot in their win against Ghana. But he was left out of the starting line-up for their last-16 clash & watched from the sidelines as Portugal ripped Swiss apart.



Neymar: He equalled Pele's record haul of 77 goals for Brazil but watched in agony as his side lost to Croatia on penalties in the quarter-finals. The Brazil great announced after his side's exit that he might have played his final match for his country, saying he was "psychologically destroyed".

EARLY EXITS

Qatar: The hosts came into the WC with high hopes as reigning Asian champions but bowed early. They became only the second home team to crash out of the group stage after South Africa in 2010.

Germany: Four-time winners Germany exited at the group stage for the 2nd straight time. Coach Hansi Flick clung on to his job but German football has launched a review to find out what went wrong.

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Brook's century gives England edge over Pak

KARACHI: Harry Brook continued his remarkable series to rebuild England's innings with a third century in as many Tests after Pakistan had the visitors pinned down on the second day of the final match in Karachi on Sunday. **Brief scores:** Pakistan 304 & 21 for no loss in 9 ovs vs England 354 in 81.4 ovs (Brook 111; Ahmed 4/150, Ali 4/126).

Ashwin, Kumaran shine in JK Tyre Racing C'ship

COIMBATORE: After four high-octane rounds this season, Ashwin Datta of Dark Don Racing emerged as champion in the LGB Formula 4 category at the final round of 25th JK Tyre FMSCI National Racing Championship here on Sunday. Meanwhile, Kyle Kumaran won the Novice Cup in style even after missing one round in-between.

Kolkata 25K: Barsoton, Jisa rewrite course records

KOLKATA: Leonard Barsoton of Kenya and Ethiopia-based Bahraini athlete Desi Jisa set new course records in the men's and women's elite international section en route to winning titles at the Tata Steel Kolkata 25K marathon on Sunday. Barsoton defended his TSK 25K title as he bettered his own course record of 1:13.05s he had set in 2019.

French golfer Rozner wins Mauritius Open

GRAND BAIE: French golfer Antoine Rozner produced a brilliant burst of scoring on the front nine on Sunday to win the Mauritius Open by five shots and become a three-time European tour champion. Rozner, who started the final round with a two-shot lead, extended his advantage to five after carding an eagle and three birdies over the first nine holes.

Invincible India march on

With win over Bangladesh, they have now 43 victories in 56 Tests since 2012 in subcontinent

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INDIA are the most successful Test team in subcontinental conditions. Through the history of the sport, they always have been. But in the last decade, it has gotten to an extent where at times, irrespective of how evenly poised a contest looks at a given point in a Test match, the end result seems inevitable — an Indian victory. A ridiculous win-loss ratio of 8.6 since the start of 2012 is testament to that. Sunday was no different as the KL Rahul-led side took only fifty minutes to take the remaining four Bangladesh wickets, securing a 188-run victory.

Of the 56 Tests India have played in Asia since 2012, they have lost only five; 43 wins and eight draws. If one looks at the home record of all teams in the period, they top the list with a scarcely believable W/L ratio of 9.250, 3.393 higher than Australia who are second. Such numbers are not entirely surprising because often almost every top side is strong in their backyard. And India are supposed to be no different. For every SENA country, including the invincible Australia of the 2000s, winning in India seemed the final frontier. But perhaps, there is a difference from the past records and the one in the decade that has gone by.

During this period, India have successfully taken the condition and competition out of the equation. It's like from the moment the toss is completed, their opponents start behind the eight ball and try to catch up for the rest of the match. There have been times where it would seem like India are behind, but it will end up as a phase of a Test match that they won and not many re-



Wrist-spinner Kuldeep Yadav registered his career-best match figures (eight including a fiver in the first innings) to be adjudged player of the match | AFP

SCORE BOARD

India 1st Innings: 404; **Bangladesh 1st Innings:** 150; **India 2nd Innings:** 258/2 decl; **Bangladesh 2nd Innings:** Shakib b Kuldeep 84, Mehidy c Yadav b Siraj 13, Taijul b Patel 4, Ebadot c Iyer b Kuldeep 0, Khaled (not out) 0; **Extras:** (b4, lbl, nbl) 6; **Total:** (All out in 113.2 overs) 324; **Forw:** 7/283, 8/320, 9/324; **Bowling:** Siraj 19-4-67-1, Umesh 15-3-27-1, Ashwin 27-3-75-1, Axar 32-2-10-77-4, Kuldeep 20-3-73-3.

8.6 India's win-loss ratio in Asia since the start of 2012.

3 Only England had beaten India more than once in subcontinent since 2012. They won thrice while Australia and Sri Lanka won a match each.

Everybody did well and this was what we wanted to do as a team. The guys who performed well in particular also got support from others. Those who are supporting are also important. Whether you have played 50 Test matches or you are playing your first or second match, it is the same. They don't matter — KL Rahul, India skipper

member when they look at the final scorecard.

While India have prepared wickets that turn square from day one at times — the series against South Africa in 2015 and England 2021 for example — they might not necessarily need to do so to outplay the opponents now. In fact, such pitches affect them more than help. Case in point, Mumbai in

2012, Galle in 2015 and Pune in 2017 — three of the five defeats in Asia in the last decade. The other two losses came when an English captain outbatted the home team.

That said, the other reason why they are invincible in subcontinental conditions is that they have the arsenal to recover at any given point. Quality spinners, check. Pacers who

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client (i) Mr. Suroop V Karade S/o D Vijaya Satees, and (ii) Mrs. V. Anuradha W/o D Vijaya Satees, residing at No.1185, 4th Cross, 5th Main, LN Colony, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore - 560 022 are intended to buy the below mentioned schedule property from Mr. G.Hemant Babu aged about 56 years, S/o Late. Sri. G. Subbarayudu, residing at No.94, 1st Cross, sector B, Amruthnagar, Dasarahalli Main Road, Bangalore 560 092.

SCHEDULE-A PROPERTY
All that the piece and parcel in residential Site no. 76/A, (old No.08), PID No. 8/76A, BBMP Khata No. 702/192/76A/8, situated at BBMP ward No. 10, 6th Cross, 4th Block, Doddabasappa, Vijayaramnagar Post, Bangalore 560 097, measuring East-West : 80 feet, North - South 40 feet i.e. totally measuring 3200 sq.ft., & bounded on East by : Road
West by : Private Property
North by : House No. 76
South by : House No. 77

SCHEDULE-B PROPERTY
400 sq.ft. undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule -A property proportionate to the schedule -C property

SCHEDULE-C PROPERTY
Residential Flat No. 102, in first floor, measuring 1467 Sq. Feet super Built up area, containing three bed rooms, constructed with RCC Roofing vitrified tiles flooring, together with one covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase and lifts, in the multistoried residential building, constructed over schedule-A property known as "SAI SADAN".

Any person's, financial institution's, Authority, having any claim, right, title, lien or interest over the schedule property or any part thereof in any manner or objecting the alienation of the property thereof should intimate the undersigned in writing within 15 days of this public notice with all supporting documentary proof, after which period it shall be deemed that there are no objection or if any, the same is/are waived.

LEGAL LINK
Sudh Kumar, S. Advocate
No.12/89, opp. to MGI Polychemic,
59th Cross, 4th Block, Rajajinagar,
Bangalore 560 010. Mobile: 9632456894

IDFC FIRST Bank Limited

(Formerly known as Capital First Limited)
CIN : L65110TN2014PLC097792
Registered Office: KRM Towers, 7th Floor, Harrington Road, Chetpet, Chennai - 600031. TEL: +91 44 4564 4000 | FAX: +91 44 4564 4022.
Authorized Officer – MS Preeti Toshniwal | Contact Number – 9694702013
Mr Debiyoti Roy | Contact No. 9874702021.

APPENDIX- IV-A [See provision to rule 8 (6)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of IDFC First Bank Limited Formerly known as Capital First Limited, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 11th January 2023, for recovery of INR 3145383.88/- Rupees Thirty-one Lakh Forty-five Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty-three Rupees and Eighty Eight Paise Only due to the IDFC First Bank Limited from 1. Praveen Panikuttira Bheemaiah 2. Shilpa M C. The Reserve Price for the property will be INR 25,98,156/- (Rupees Twenty- Five Lakhs Ninety-Eight Thousand and One Hundred Fifty-Six Only) and the Earnest Money Deposit will be 10% of the Reserved Price INR 2,59,815/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Fifty-Nine Thousand and Eight Hundred Fifteen Only).

DESCRIPTION OF MORTGAGE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property Apartment bearing No.005, measuring 990 square feet of super built up area at ground Floor of the building, in the project known as "MVS ORCHIDS" along with 329 square feet of undivided share of right, title and interest in the land with a car parking space at the basement of the building constructed on the property bearing extract of E Swathu bearing No.504/1, Old Site Nos.53 to 70 & Site No.1, admeasuring 21,605 square feet, formed in residentially converted land bearing Survey No.30, situated at Kavalahosahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, comprising of still, ground and three upper floors building, bounded on:

East by : Open to Sky; West by : Common Corridor; North by : Open to Sky & Stalcase; South by : Open to Sky & Portion of Flat No. 006.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in IDFC First Bank Limited website i.e. www.idfcfirstbank.com

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
IDFC FIRST Bank Limited
(Formerly known as Capital First Limited)
Date : 19/12/2022

RBL BANK

Administrative Office: 1st Lane, Shahupuri, Kolhapur-416001
Controlling Office: One India Bulls Centre, Tower 2B, 6th Floor, 841, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai-400013
National Operation Centre: Techniplex-1, 9th Floor, Off. Veer Savarkar Flyover, Goregaon (West), Mumbai-400062
Branch Office at: RBL Bank Ltd, Sai Kalyani Towers, No.56/105, G.N.Chetty Road, T.Nagar, Chennai-600017.

Securitisation Notice under S. 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002.

We, RBL Bank Limited the secured creditor of Applicant & Co-Applicant mentioned in column no 2 below inform you all that your account has been classified as Non-performing Account in our accounts on 06-August-2022 pursuant to your defaults in making payment/repayment of principal and interest. An amount Rs.19,90,172.86 is now due and payable by you as on 30-November-2022 together with further interest thereon to RBL Bank Ltd.

In spite of our repeated demands you have not paid the amount(s) outstanding in your account(s) and you have not discharged your liabilities. We, therefore, issued notice under section 13(2) of Chapter III of the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 on 06-December-2022 demanding payment of the above mentioned amounts together with further interest applicable at the contracted rates, costs, charges, other moneys to discharge your liabilities in full within 60 days from the date of the notice.

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Sl. No	Name of Borrowers, Loan Amount and Loan Account No.	Description of the property mortgaged	NPA Date & Amount O/s
1	MR. DILIP N. S/O. NARAYANAREDDY, D.No.3-382-62, Sonnapuram BS, Thimmasandram, Near AR Fabrication, Berigai, Krishnagiri, Tamilnadu-632105. Mobile No: 9360014279. 2) M/S. BLOSSOMS, Rep. by its Proprietor MR. DILIP N. Seekanapalli Village, Berigai Post, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri, Tamilnadu-635105. Mobile No: 9659461155, 9715166155. 3) MRS. BHAGIYAMMA N. W/O. NARAYANAREDDY, D.No.3-382-62, Sonnapuram BS, Thimmasandram, Near AR Fabrication, Berigai, Krishnagiri, Tamilnadu-632105. Also At: MRS. BHAGIYAMMA N. W/O. NARAYANAREDDY, Near Ayyappa Swamy Temple, Attibele Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Karnataka-562107. 4) MRS. RANJITHA D. W/O. DILIP, D.No.3-382-62, Sonnapuram BS, Thimmasandram, Near AR Fabrication, Berigai, Krishnagiri, Tamilnadu-632105. Loan Account No.: 809002498750	Property Owned by: MRS. BHAGIYAMMA N. W/O. NARAYANAREDDY Schedule of Property: All that piece and parcel of the Property situated at Bangalore Urban District, Anekal Taluk, Attibele Hobli, Attibele Village, Khesashumari No.736, Site No.75, measuring East to West: 40 Feet, and North to South: 15 Feet. Totally measuring an extent of 600 Sq.ft of land. In this West side: 5'8" Feet vacant Land along with constructed mud walls, Red oxide floor and country wood doors, and windows RCC House and Bounded as follows: East by: Road, West by: Site No.71, North by: Mr. Subramani Land in this Survey No. 10, South by: Remaining Land and vacant Land and House. The Property situated at Bangalore Urban District, Anekal Taluk, Attibele, Hobli, Attibele Village.	NPA Date: 06-August-2022 Total amount of Rs. 19,90,172.86 Out standing due as on 30-November-2022

Now the authorized officer of RBL Bank Ltd. do hereby publish the contents of the above demand notice as provided under the Rules for discharge your liabilities in full, failing which, we shall, without any further reference, be constrained to enforce the following security created by you in our favour by exercising any or all the rights given under the said Act. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to RBL Bank against the borrower and the guarantors of the said financial under law. You are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said Act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of above secured asset, without our prior written consent.

Place: KRISHNAGIRI & BANGALORE URBAN, Date: 19.12.2022 Sd/- Authorized Officer, RBL Bank Ltd.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE - U.R. RAO SATELLITE CENTRE CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP, HAL Airport Road, Bengaluru - 560 017. (Phone: 080 25084177, 4184, 4156) BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

Sl.No	Description	Details
1	Name of work	Painting works at central AC plant, Canteen basement parking area and Electrical DG room at URSC Campus, Vimanapura, Bangalore-560017.
2	E-Tender Notice No.	URSC/C&MG/C/TN/38/2022-23 dated:16.12.2022
3	Estimated cost put to tender	₹ 9.65 Lakhs
4	Tender Document details	₹ 30.00 Lakhs
5	Period of completion	FOUR MONTHS
6	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	₹ 19,300/- valid for 180 days
7	Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	From 09.30 hrs on 19.12.2022 to 16.30 hrs on 02.01.2023
8	Bid clarification	From 10.30 hrs on 20.12.2022 to 17.00 hrs on 03.01.2023
9	Last date of reply to Bid Clarification	Up to 17.00 hrs. on 04.01.2023
10	Last date and time for receipt of tenders	Up to 14.30 hrs. on 05.01.2023
11	Due date and time of opening of tenders	14.30 hrs onwards on 05.01.2023

Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: www.isro.gov.in and download the tender documents from www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO.

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL

Gr. & 1st Floor, Door No. 31-31-21, Sri Narayana Bhavan, Sai Baba Street, Dabagars, Visakhapatnam-530020

O.A. No. 924 / 2022

BETWEEN:
Union Bank of India eAndhra Bank, Tadigadapa Branch,
Door No. 1-245, MG Road, Tadigadapa, Penamalur Mandal, Krishna District, AP - 521137 represented by its Senior Branch Manager..... **Applicant Bank and**

Sri Kotam Vinod Kumar Reddy, PAN No. ASNPV4334M,
S/o. Sri Ramana Reddy, Door No. 1-73, Rachayapeta, Gopavaram, Gopavaram Project Site, Kadapa District, AP - 516233
Also @ Sri Kotam Vinod Kumar Reddy, PAN No. ASNPV4334M,
Sri Ramana Reddy, Yada Comfort PG, Near Shirke Apartments #7, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560060
Also @ Sri Kotam Vinod Kumar Reddy, PAN No. ASNPV4334M,
S/o. Sri Ramana Reddy, Agro Foods VDN 31, Nulli, Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad, Telangana - 500003
Also @ Sri Kotam Vinod Kumar Reddy, PAN No. ASNPV4334M,
S/o. Sri Ramana Reddy, Flat No. 406, 3rd Floor, Sai Nivas Apartments, Gudavalli Village, Vijayawada Rural, Krishna District, AP - 521104
2. Mrs. Bodepudi Sarada, W/o. Sri Venkata Rao, Flat No. 505,
Door No. 2-29, Sai Nivas Apartments, Gudavalli Village, Vijayawada Rural, Vijayawada, Krishna District, AP - 521104
Also @ Mrs. Bodepudi Sarada, W/o. Sri Venkata Rao, Flat No. B2,
Nirmala Apartments, 1st Cross, Currency Nagar, Vijayawada, Krishna District, AP - 520008.
.... **Defendants**

NOTICE TO Defendant No.2
Mrs. Bodepudi Sarada, W/o. Sri Venkata Rao, Flat No. 505,
Door No. 2-29, Sai Nivas Apartments, Gudavalli Village, Vijayawada Rural, Vijayawada, Krishna District, AP - 521104
Also @ Mrs. Bodepudi Sarada, W/o. Sri Venkata Rao, Flat No. B2,
Nirmala Apartments, 1st Cross, Currency Nagar, Vijayawada, Krishna District, AP - 520008.

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER
Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application U/s 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against you for recovery of OA claim amount together with current and future interest and other reliefs. You are hereby summoned to appear and file written statement before this Tribunal at 10.30 a.m., or at such time immediately thereafter according to the convenience of Tribunal on 24-01-2023 to answer the claim.

2. If you intend to file any documents, you may file the same with a list along with the written statement.
3. You should file your registered address and a memo of appearance when you enter appearance before the Tribunal either in person or by a Pleador / Advocate duly instructed.
4. Take notice that, in default of, your appearance on the day mentioned herein before, the proceedings will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this 13th day of December, 2022.
Signature of the Officer
Authorised to issue summons

Udaya Souharda Credit Co-Operative Society Ltd.

(Regd. No. JRB : RGN : 69-148-2003-04)
"Udaya Sahakara Bhavana", # 29/11, 1st Main, Mount Joy Road, Hanumanthnagar, Bengaluru-19.
E-mail : udayacorp199@gmail.com, Ph: 080-26621893

Annexure - A Appendix - IV-A, [See Provision to rule 8(6)]

Sale notice for sale of immovable property (Excluding movable assets, if any, lying in the premises)
Auction Sale Notice for Sale of immovable Assets (Excluding Movable Assets, If Any, Lying in the Premises) Under the securitisation and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8(6) and rule 9(1) of the security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrowers/Mortgagors in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured creditor, **UDAYA SOUHARDA CREDIT CO-OPERATIVE LTD.**, the physical possession of which have been taken by the Authorised Officer, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis on 20.01.2023 for recovery of Rs. 2,13,68,792/- (Rupees Two Crores Thirteen Lakhs Sixty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Two Only) as on 10.12.2022 and further interest at contractual rate from 11.12.2022 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. due to Udaya Souharda Credit Co-operative Ltd., Secured Creditor from Dr. Suresh P and Smt. Sangantha Suresh. The reserve price, earnest money deposit bid increment amount and last date for receipt of EMD will be as under :-

Property No.	Reserve Price (below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid increment amount	Time & date of Public Auction	Last date submission of EMD along with KYC documents.
1	Rs. 20,22,538/-	Rs. 22,05,239/-	Rs. 50,000/-	11.30 am to 12.30 pm on 20.01.2023	19.01.2023 upto 4.00 pm

Description of Immovable Property : Tender No. : USCC/01/2023 : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Southern Portion of Residential-Cum-Commercial Property bearing No. 11/58, BBMP Katha Serial No. 230/12/12-13, Kamragondanahalli Village with the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No. 12, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Comprising of Four (4) Number of Shops (Each Shop 2 Squares) on Ground Floor, 2 Number of (2 BHK Each 5 Squares) Houses o First Mosaic Flooring, Doors and Windows are made with Jungle wood texture : Measuring : East to West : (50+48)/2 Feet and North to South : 64 Feet, totally measuring 3136 Sq. feet and bounded on East by : Site Nos. 12, 13, and 14, West by : Road, North by : Private Property and South by : Private Property.

To the best of the knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on the above said property. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please contact branch "Udaya Sahakara Bhavana" # 29/11, 1st Main, Mount Joy Road, Hanumanthnagar, Bangalore-560019.

Place : Bengaluru, Date : 14.12.2022 Authorised Officer, Udaya Souharda Credit Co-op. Ltd.



DAY'S DIARY

Making history

On this day in 2012, Park Geun-hye won the South Korean presidential election to become the nation's first female president

PRIOR ROLES

Park was first elected to South Korea's National Assembly in 1998. She is the daughter of a former dictator and was de-facto First Lady after her mother's assassination



TOUGH ROAD AHEAD

Park assumed office in February 2013, to run a country grappling with income inequality, angst over education and employment prospects for its youth, and strained relations with North Korea



END OF TERM

A political scandal led to the end of Park's term. She was sentenced to 24 years in prison after being found guilty of abuse of power and coercion

Check out the events
for the week

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Avin Thaliath
(@chef_avin), pastry chef and the director of Lavonne Academy of Baking Science And Pastry Arts, dishes out a food-related quiz in this weekly series. Be a real 'whisk' taker and let us know if you have what it bakes. Who knows, your dreams may crumb true.



THE QUIZ WILL
BE PUBLISHED
EVERY SATURDAY

Send answers to
bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com with the subject line 'Food quiz'
The correct answers and names of the first three respondents with right answers will be featured in CE. The first prize winner this week will win a hamper worth ₹2,000 from Jamming Goat 3.0

THE RIGHT
ANSWERS

- 1) Clockwise
- 2) Bubble and squeak
- 3) Gingerbread man

FIRST 3 TO
GET IT RIGHT

- 1) Maria Biji
- 2) Shanti Anil
- 3) Ganapathy V

BLINGS ALL BRIGHT



Adding some bling to this year's celebration, sequin short skirts are the new hot picks. Multi-coloured skirts paired up with stockings to keep warm are popular options too

MONIKA MONALISA

THE season to be jolly and party hard is upon us. With the celebration fever gripping the city, people are putting their best foot forward in terms of dressing with the trend. And that means opting for sequin and bling. Sequin dresses, short skirts and pencil skirts are hot picks this party season. If you are a beach person, then you can take inspiration from Bollywood actor Deepika Padukone, from the latest song *Besharam* of the upcoming movie *Pathan*, opposite Shah Rukh Khan, which is already a chartbuster. The actor raised the temperature by pairing her bikini with a multi-coloured blingy sarong. Shaleena Nathani, who styled Padukone for the song, has definitely set the style tone for the season.

City-based fashionistas have also hopped onto the trend. Socialite Ila Dorairaj Naidu wore a multi-coloured striped sequined skirt for designer Tarun Tahiliani's Bengaluru store launch and got a 'wow' as a compliment from the designer himself. "I saw this skirt and fell in love with it online. I picked it up from Zara in Singapore after not finding it in India despite my efforts to hunt it down. I decided to wear it as the sundowner party I was attending had the theme 'sunset hues'. To make the skirt more wearable during the day, I paired it with a crisp white shirt and statement feathered heels," says Naidu, adding that she is a completely bling person.

Content creator Monalisa Panda, decided to wear a sequin short skirt with black bustier, for her anniversary dinner. "Usually, for my anniversary, I go in for something formal, like a pant suit or a dress. But this time, I wanted to break out of it and try something new. I follow a lot of trends on Instagram and Pinterest and of course, sequin topped the list," says Panda, a social media lead for an e-commerce site. Considering the chilly evenings, she paired it with a blue blazer to keep her warm. "To be ready to hit the dance floor, I let go of the blazer," she adds.

Designer Kriti Gulati, who recently started a brand called Crois en Toi, says some of the

pieces from her collection are with sequins keeping the party season in mind. Gulati mentions that sequin has always been in trend in the Indian fashion scene. "If you see Indian couture, they have elaborate sequin work. However, in the international and western fashion scene, sequin is grabbing all the buzz now," says Gulati, whose collection starts from the range of ₹5,000.

Agrees celebrity designer Shloka Sudhakar. "Sequin can be seen in the latest collection by major international brands. People are getting more confident in donning sequins and bling in western wear as well. And this is going to stay for next year as well," she adds.



BLING GAME

If you are going in for a sequin short skirt, pair it up with a bustier

Elevate a sequined pencil skirt with a contrast shirt and pair with colour-blocking heels

Be the showstopper with an all-sequin dress

If you are heading for a tropical beach holiday, throw in a sarong to your swimsuit

CITY READ

Governor unveils book by student



On December 16, Amana J Kumar, a student of Bishop Cotton Girls' School released her first Hindi Anthology *Lafzon ki Mehfil* at Raj Bhavan in the presence of Thaaarchand Gehlot, Governor of Karnataka. The young poet has completed a literature course on Masterpieces of World Literature from Harvard University. She has penned more than 400 poems in English and Hindi since she started writing poems in Class 6, and now has also started writing Kannada poems. Despite her age, Amana has a few records up her sleeve like India's Youngest Poetess by India Book of Records, and The Kautilya Youngest Poetess of the Year Award, an award presented by His Excellency Governor of Goa, to name a few.



National-level hackathon held

Nitte Meenakshi Institute of Technology, Bengaluru organised India's first offline National-Level Hackathon on Quantum Technology - 'Quant-A-Maze'. Prof NR Shetty, chancellor, of the Central University of Karnataka, inaugurated the competition with a welcome speech. The chief guest of the function was Prof Shayan Garani, professor, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru. He said, "This opens the door to creating new types of quantum electronic devices. The possibilities range from precision sensors and secure communication networks to incredibly powerful computers to tackle problems that can't be solved today. Commercial applications of these technologies are emerging in the world." Engineering students across the Country participated in the competition with 'Team Krypt-Q' of Nitte Meenakshi Institute of Technology winning the first prize.

Recently a case of a landlord demanding his tenants to be IIT or IIM alumni went viral across social media. As it turns out, such cases are more common than thought

GUARDED GATES

TUNIR BISWAS

ATELY, a screenshot has been circulating across multiple social media platforms in the city. The screenshot shows a conversation between a person looking to be a tenant and a broker. As the conversation progresses, the broker asks the person the name of his alma mater. Upon reading the name, he tells the possible tenant that his profile does not fit the landlord's demands. The owner only wants 'IIT, IIM, CA ISB graduates', says the broker.

While this case might seem like an anomaly, if you cast your net wider, you will realise that such is not the case. For something as essential as shelter, it is surely quite difficult to get it in Bengaluru. The conditions don't just stop at the name of the university, even your identity can make or break your case. "When my two friends (all women) and I were hunting for apartments in Koramangala, we came across a place we liked. We had never met the owner; we went there through the broker. After checking the place out, we informed



A prospective tenant hunts for an apartment (representational image) | ROOPLEKHA DAS

“Tenants and landlords need to meet each other halfway. While it is true that certain landlords have weird demands, not everybody is a good tenant either

Mohammad Rizwan, a broker

the broker that we will send our confirmation the next day. We just wanted to discuss it a bit before giving the final word. But overnight, the landlord's demands changed. The broker

told us he wasn't comfortable giving his apartment to three women but he would if we paid him more. He increased the rent, the security deposit and everything else. All because we

were women," shares Prantika Ghosh, a PR professional in the city.

Ghosh's case isn't an isolated one. Aakriti Sehra, who works at a US-based multimedia MNC in Bengaluru, was also at the brunt of a landlord's unreasonable demand. "During the time when my friend and I were looking for a place to stay, the landlord of one of our preferred apartments bogged us down on religion. He said that he will only give his place to Hindus. But not just that, anyone whoever enters the apartment, even a guest, needs to be Hindu. We rejected that place immediately," says Sehra.

Anand K, a landlord in the city feels house owners need to be more understanding. "I believe that as market forces often decide the price of the land or lease, landlords need to understand that what they provide is a service. Shelter as a service. Service providers need to have a customer-friendly demeanour. While it's understandable that a good or bad tenant may make or break things, there is no need to set unreasonable bars for something as critical as a place to stay. That's like if doctors decide to only provide their service to the affluent or the highly educated. It doesn't make sense," says Anand.

Mohammad Rizwan, a city-based broker, feels it is always better to look for a place through a brokerage company or a real-estate search portal. "Tenants and landlords need to

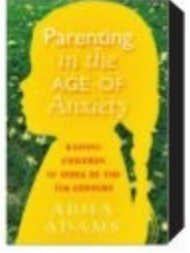
meet each other halfway. While it is true that certain landlords have weird demands, not everybody is a good tenant either. Some are too noisy and too chaotic disrupting the atmosphere of the entire place. This leads to altercations between the owners and tenants, which never ends well. But if you go through a company, things are vastly different as they will take care of everything," concludes Rizwan.



When my friend and I were looking for a place to stay, a landlord bogged us down on religion. He said that he will only give his place to Hindus and anyone whoever enters the apartment, even a guest, needs to be Hindu

Aakriti Sehra, a tenant

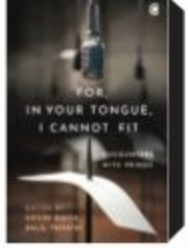
BOOK NOOK



Parenting in the Age of Anxiety

by Abha Adams

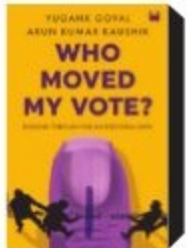
The book takes a deep look at the most important issues troubling children and parents today with practical and compassionate advice. It has insightful observations from family therapists, child psychologists, teachers, parents, and children.



For, In Your Tongue, I Cannot Fit

by Shilpa Gupta and Salil Tripathi (edited)

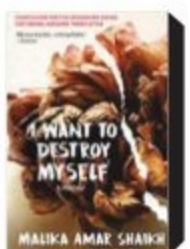
Conceived in dialogue with artist Shilpa Gupta's multimedia installation, the book brings together many of the poets featured in the installation — every one of them persecuted for their words.



Who Moved My Vote?

by Yugank Goyal and Arun Kumar Kaushik

In this book the authors dig through the data from India's national and state election results to show how the system creates leakages in the mandates it returns, and why the whole apparatus needs radical reform.



I Want to Destroy Myself: A Memoir

by Malika Amar Shaikh

The unvarnished story of a marriage and of a woman and a writer seeking her space in a man's world, Malika Amar Shaikh's autobiography is also a portrait of the Bombay of poets, activists, prostitutes and fighters.

WHAT WHEN WHY



Book Box

Lock the Box is not wholesale, but a wholesale sale event for all you bibliophiles. At a fixed price you can take home all the books that fit in your box.

WHERE: Shubh Convention, JP Nagar

WHEN: December 19 onwards, 10am

DETAILS: insider.in



Lakeside Camping

Go lakeside camping at Kanva Reservoir, a lake and tourist attraction 69 kilometres from Bengaluru. It was formed by the damming of the Kanva River in an irrigation project.

WHERE: Triquetra, Kannamangala

WHEN: December 19 onwards, 12pm

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com



Fitness Mindset

Everyone wants to be fit and most people want to reach their ideal weight. Get to your goal by inculcating good positive habits through this course.

WHERE: Virtual

WHEN: December 19 onwards, 7pm

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com



Handy Crafts

Dastkar brings you over 130 craft groups and craft entrepreneurs from more than 20 states, celebrating the most authentic experience of Indian handicrafts in a single space.

WHERE: Jayamaharaj Palace Hotel, Nandi

WHEN: December 21 onwards, 10.20am

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com



Financial Literacy

Building wealth is about hard work, dedication, and wise decisions. However, a factor that is often missed is having the right mindset. Learn how to manage and invest money by Savitha Nanjappa.

WHERE: Virtual

WHEN: December 19 onwards, 7pm

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com



CO-OP GAMING

An event where you can play games and interact with others through your avatar. The best part is that it can be any game of your choice.

WHERE: Virtual

WHEN: December 20, 1.30am

DETAILS: allevents.in



PEEK-A-BELL

Actor Karunya Ram on the inaugural day of The Souq, a 10-day flea market, at the Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

QUICK FIX

ICED CHOCOLATE LATTE



INGREDIENTS

Instant coffee powder: 2 tbsp ■ Water: 4 tbsp
 Cold milk: 1-1/2 cup ■ Chocolate syrup: 4 tbsp
 Sugar: 2 tbsp ■ Ice cubes: 8

METHOD

- Mix instant coffee powder in hot water and let it cool down.
- Add coffee, sugar, milk, 4 ice cubes in a blender and blitz it well till it's frothy.
- Take 2 tall glasses and drizzle chocolate syrup in it. Add few more ice cubes in each glass.
- Pour cold coffee in the glasses and top it again with chocolate syrup.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengaluru.cityexpress@gmail.com

FIT BIT

ARDHA CHANDRASANA NAMASKAR (HALF MOON POSE HANDS IN PRAYER)

This is an intermediate standing one-legged balance, forward bend asana, a challenging extension of Ardha Chandrasana. It activates the grounding energy of the Muladhara Chakra and the creative energy of the Svadhisthana Chakra.

STEPS

- Do Uttitha Trikonasana (Extended Triangle Pose) with the left foot in front and your left hand to the floor outside the left foot (either fingertips or palms flat on the floor).
- Engage your Mula Bandha, Uddiyana Bandha, and Ujjayi Breathing.
- Exhale as you slide your left palm out to the front while bending your left knee. Find your balance.
- Inhale and lift your right foot off and bring it straight and parallel to the floor. Straighten your standing left leg.
- Exhale and rotate your chest to the side, shoulders stacking top of each other.
- On your next exhale, lift your left arm and bring your hands into prayer position at the center of your chest.

LIMITATIONS

Those who have low blood pressure, insomnia and headaches should avoid this.

People with neck injuries, migraines should look down.

Don't push through your limits. This will take time to perfect.

BENEFITS

- Creates a twist of the abdomen.
- Tones the digestive and reproductive organs.
- Helps to stimulate your metabolism and detoxifies the body.
- Strengthens the core muscles: spine, ankles, calves, thighs, and hip muscles.
- Strengthens the ABS muscles.
- Stretches the hamstrings, groin, leg muscles and improves side body flexibility.
- Reduces anxiety and stress.
- Improves concentration level.
- Improves your sense of body balance.



By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

REGIONAL



CHUP: REVENGE OF THE ARTIST (Hindi)

A lonesome director and his new muse, and a psychopath who is on a killing spree targeting film critics in Mumbai. Are the two related? Inspector Arvind Mathur and Dr. Zenobia are about to find out.

Cast: Sunny Deol, Dulquer Salmaan

Watch on: ZEE5



DHOKHA - ROUND CORNER (Hindi)

A terrorist breaks into a married couple's home and takes the wife hostage, igniting a tense standoff that surfaces secrets and lies.

Cast: Madhavan, Khushali Kumar, Aparshakti Khurana

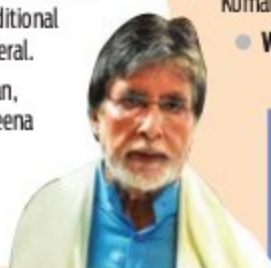
Watch on: Netflix

GOODBYE (Hindi)

After a mother's sudden death, chaos and grief collide when four adult siblings return to their traditional father's home for the funeral.

Cast: Amitabh Bachchan, Rashmika Mandanna, Neena Gupta

Watch on: Netflix



KEDARA (Bengali)

An old ventriloquist lives in his ancestral home, spending his time making up imaginary conversations with people from his past. His life takes a turn when a junk dealer presents him with an armchair.

Cast: Kaushik Ganguly, Rudranil Ghosh

Watch on: ZEE5



TADKA (Hindi)

A middle-aged Gaurishankar is passionate about food and archaeology but it's a misplaced call from Divya that adds the tadka to his life. While love simmers, Aditi and Sidharth's story spices up too.

Cast: Nana Patekar, Ali Fazal, Shriya Saran and Tapsee Pannu

Watch on: ZEE5



HAR MANA HAR (Bengali)

To provide his daughter with a complete family, Vikram, a single father, decides to remarry. He meets Bulbul, who is very close to his daughter, and Mira, who runs an NGO. Who will Vikram choose?

Cast: Payel Sarkar, Soham Chakraborty

Watch on: ZEE5

INDIA LOCKDOWN (Hindi)

It follows the stories of four individuals from different strata of society during the 21-day lockdown imposed by the Indian government in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Cast: Shweta Basu Prasad, Aahana Kumra, Prateik Babbar, Sai Tamhankar and Prakash Belawadi

Watch on: ZEE5

FOREIGN

WARRIORS OF FUTURE (Chinese)

When a meteor carrying a destructive plant strikes the world, a suicide squad is given hours to save their post-apocalyptic city from total collapse.

Cast: Louis Koo, Sean Lau, Carina Lau

Watch on: Netflix



TROLL (Norwegian)

When an explosion in the Norwegian mountains awakens an ancient troll, officials appoint a fearless paleontologist to stop it from wreaking deadly havoc.

Cast: Ine Marie Wilmann, Kim Falck, Mads Sjogard Pettersen

Watch on: Netflix

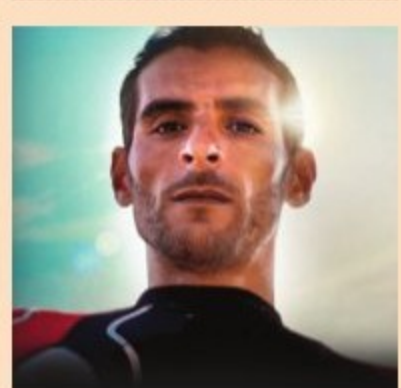


MY NAME IS VENDETTA (Italian)

When enemies from the past kill his wife and brother-in-law, a former mafia enforcer and his daughter flee to Milan to plot their revenge.

Cast: Alessandro Gassmann, Ginevra Francesconi, Remo Girone

Watch on: Netflix



NO LIMIT (French)

An extraordinarily talented young woman finds deep, destructive love with her record-holding freediving instructor in this visually arresting romantic drama.

Cast: Camille Rowe, Sofiane Zermani, César Domboy

Watch on: Netflix

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'TIS THE SEASON

RUBINATIONS
 Rubi Chakravarti
 Writer, actor and funny girl



Karen Anand

THERE is a mad flurry of activity that seems to have taken over our town. I still call our ooru sleepy-hollow because it may look like there is a mad whirl of parties, openings, festivals and their ilk from Banashankari to Benson Town, but as far as infrastructure and personnel go, our city fails to deliver. The work ethos is non-existent, but yet there is always a big hullabaloo about the 'outsiders' taking away jobs. Bengaluru has, unfortunately, become a transient town. People from out of state come here because there are easy pickings work-wise, earn their money and leave. We the locals are still busy negotiating 'less for more' salaries and are being left behind. Take from the skilled to the semi-skilled and unskilled 'local' workforce. They aren't a patch on the 'eager-beaver' workforce that flows into our city in droves.

I wanted some carpentry work done at home and lo-and-behold, by the time our local work-men got their act together and wasted a full day negotiating for an advance, (which I gave albeit reluctantly) and haven't seen them since. A neighbour told me about a contingent of skilled carpenters from the backwaters of Bengal who finished the work in record time! That got me

thinking of the house-help to the hot-shots in the IT industry. There is a large influx of semi-skilled house-help from the North-East and Nepal and they are excellent at their work and are regular and on-time to boot! My 'ammass' are still crying about ill-health, hubby/boy-friend problems and are unfailingly trying to wheedle some more advance money from me!

I hear my son on a daily basis trying to get work done in his work-place and the rate of attrition is humongous. Everybody is complaining about the quality/entitlement of the local workforce. Less for more seems to be their mantra, and if the 'men in white' keep pandering to this 'outsider-insider' syndrome we are doomed. Our weather seems to still be a big playing factor for setting up units, hotels and commercial establishments, but if steel flyovers and butchered trees become a reality, we will see a sharp decline in the fortunes of our beloved city.

I made the best use of the Christmas cheer that seemed to have overtaken namma ooru. My favourite 'memsahib' Karen Anand,

the harbinger of all things delectable, a wordsmith, an author and TV presenter (all things other unverified upstarts claim that they are) and now a consultant for various hotels and restaurants was in town. I am such a big fan of her charisma, charm and flawless complexion (there I said it!) She was in town to release her book 'Masala Memsahib' at the beautiful shimmering Leela Palace poolside. The guests were a gaggle of her friends and admirers who were privy to taste some selected recipes from her book. I was sitting with people who epitomized the grace of Bengaluru, Visheshwar Singh, GM and VP of Oberoi Bangalore and his wife Sanaya as well as author and anthropologist Kaveri Ponappa and her husband Naresh.

My week ended with a raucous party at Abhay and Jyotsna Kewadkar's private terrace that hosted a French wine delegation from Bordeaux. Fine food, fine company and fine wine spell a time to be treasured.

'Tis the season folks. Enjoy it while you can!

(The writer's views are her own)



Francois Hugueniot, Abhay Kewadkar, Vianney Meynier and Igor Soloman

Game Awards 2022!

Elden Ring, God of War Ragnarök, Valorant and more bagged the top honours this year



(This economics graduate spends her leisure time preparing for the zombie apocalypse)

AT the end of another year, it is my regretful responsibility to condense a year filled with hundreds of amazing games to a few that win 'The Game Awards'. But then the Game Awards are also filled with some sensational news, and I get to provide you with the juiciest updates that many may have overlooked. The one that shocked me most was the awful Uncharted movie being nominated for 'Best Adaptation'. Nathan Drake turned sentient and is now judging every one of you who voted for the adaptation, and silently deleting your video game save files.

Here's another fact you may not get in any other report – according to my personal calculations, out of 67 unique games nominated across different award categories, 32 of them are either sequels, or spin-offs of existing games. This fact doesn't really say all that much: considering that Call of Duty and FIFA '22 is on the list. It only means gamers just enjoy routine, even if the routine is exhaustingly boring. Fortunately, the game that won the 'Game of the Year' amongst other awards – was Elden Ring. Another fun fact is that Resident Evil 4 was nominated under the 'Most Anticipated' award.

Now Resident Evil 4 already released in 2005, and it

is simply getting a remake in 2023. If this is amongst the 'Most Anticipated', it means that the feelings of the older gamers are being represented in the awards! Good for us.

Also, Valorant won the 'Best Esports' game award, dethroning League of Legends after three years of successive victories – a true 'Clutch' moment, if there



ever was one. Diablo 3 – the latest PC game so far in the Diablo franchise, sold 30 million in lifetime sales. In official counts, it is one of the most popular games to exist. Understandably, there was a lot of excitement around the iOS/Android port of the game. It was called Diablo Immortal, and it released in 2022. It was nominated for 'Best Mobile game'. I was tickled to learn the actual winner of the award. I won't tell you the name, but here are some clues – it's a card game, a single game lasts two minutes, and one of the characters include a Flora Colossus that loves the word 'Groot'. I'm considering playing and reviewing it soon.

NUGGETS

250 chairs and desks donated to government schools

Greenwood High International School donated 250 chairs and desks to government schools in Nerige Gram Panchayat, Anekal Taluk, earlier this week. The school also plans to donate Bluetooth speakers, flags and boards to government schools soon. The furniture sets were presented by Niru Agarwal, trustee of Greenwood High in the presence of panchayat members and representatives from 11 surrounding villages. Speaking on the occasion, Agarwal said: "We believe in inculcating values of benevolence and philanthropy among our students and we too practise the same. Students are excited about doing their bit to help those in need. We all have our commitments towards the society that have stood by us since the very beginning."

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CHANGE OF NAME

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 I, **KADERAJU**, S/o. Puttarangaiah, R/at 1st Pakshirajapura Nalluruna Post, Hunsuru Taluk, Mysuru -571105, have changed my name to **KADERAJU PUTTARANGAIAH**, vide affidavit dt:17.12.2022 before Notary K.V. Mani, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **SOWMYA MANJESH**, R/at No. 38/2, 2nd Cross, Thirumenahalli Jakkur Post, Bengaluru-560 064, Karnataka, India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SOWMYA** to **SOWMYA MANJESH**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SOWMYA MANJESH** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 16th Dec. 2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary R. BASAVARAJA at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **SAHANA S. MAIYA**, W/o Sri Giliyar Narasimha Murthy Sudhindra, aged about 45 years, R/at No. 966, 1st Main, 2nd cross, Yeshwanthpura, Bengaluru-560022, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SAHANA** to **SAHANA S. MAIYA**, henceforth I shall be known and called **SAHANA S. MAIYA** only, vide affidavit dated 16-12-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary B. HANUMANTHARAYA at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **BIPINKUMAR**, Son of Late Shantilal, Indian Citizen, aged about 62 years, residing at: No. 14/36, 1st Cross E Street, Magadi Road, Bangalore (KMDs)- 560023 state on oath that my correct name is Bipinkumar which is correctly mentioned in my PAN Card. I am also called by my alias name Bipin Shantilal Sheth and that both these names being Bipinkumar and Bipin Shantilal Sheth are one and the same person and that my correct name is Bipinkumar. I shall henceforth be called by my birth name Bipinkumar. Sworn before the Advocate & Public Notary Mrs. N. Sandhya on affidavit dt: Dec 16, 2022

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, (OLD NAME) **MANASA ASHWATH** Residing at New No. 10, Old No. 1350 Mannarayanaapalya, next to Banyan Tree, Bangalore - 560032. Have changed my name from (Old Name) **MANASA ASHWATH** to (NEW NAME) **MANASA CHETHAN** vide affidavit dated 17.12.2022 sworn before notary CHANDRAKALA Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **Sneha C Kotturshettar** daughter of Balachandra Sidramappa Hulakoti aged about 36 years, having residence at Flat No.0942, Tower G, Republic of Whitefield Apartment, EPID Zone, Divyasree Techno Park, Kundalahalli, Whitefield, Bangalore 560 066 have changed my name from **Sneha Hulakoti** vide Affidavit dated 16.12.2022 sworn before Sri.S.Nagaraja Notary Public, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **RASOOL SYED NADEEM AHMED** S/o. BUKHARI SYED RASOOL, Age 47 years, resident at No-31, 1st A Cross, 1st Main, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Sultan Palya, Near Narsimha Temple, Bangalore-560032, have changed my name from **BUQUARI SYED NADEEM** to **RASOOL SYED NADEEM AHMED**, Vide Affidavit dated 28/11/2022 sworn before Advocate and Notary M. Rajendra Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **Pooja.T.N.** D/o Nagaraj, aged about 22 years, residing at No.8, 6th Cross, Near Nisara Babycare Venkateshwara Layout, Abbigere, Bengaluru-560090, have changed my name as **Pooja Sagar Patel**, vide affidavit dated 13.12.2022 sworn before notary B.Hanumantharaya, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **KUSHIYA**, C/o. Simon, R/at No. 37, 1st Pakshirajapura, Hunsuru Taluk, Mysuru-571105, have changed my name to **KUSHIYA SIMON**, vide affidavit dt:17.12.2022 before Notary K.V. Mani, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **GARIMA LALWANI**, R/at Flat No. A101, Hatha Coconut Kempapura Main Road, Near Top in Town Supermarket, Yemalur, Bengaluru-560 037, Karnataka, India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **DURGESHWARI ROHITA** to **GARIMA LALWANI**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **GARIMA LALWANI** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 16th Dec. 2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary R. BASAVARAJA at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **RACHITA R.** D/o G.V. Raju, age 22 years, presently R/at No. 19, V R Layout, Sarakki Road, Near Rajalakshmi Nursing Home, JP Nagar 1st Phase, Bangalore-78. Karnataka India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RACHITA R.** to **RACHITA R.** henceforth I shall be known and called as **RACHITA R** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 17th December 2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary D.K. Rameshappa at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **P G ANNAPURNA**, R/at No. 159, 3rd Main, J S Nagar, Nandini Layout, Bangalore-96 declare that by oversight my name is entered as **VINDODHA** instead of **P G ANNAPURNA**. I, further declare that both the names belongs to me vide affidavit dt.12.07.2022 sworn before Notary P C Ramaiah, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **RAGHAVENDRA S** S/o Sathyanarayana S R/o: # 1922, EVS 8th B Main, Near Sagar Textile, 3rd Stage, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru - 560064 have changed my name from **RAGHAVENDRA S** to **S RAGHAVENDRA RAO** Vide Affidavit dated 16-12-2022 sworn to before Notary Public G.P. CHAYA, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **KAVERI SUNIL NAIK**, W/o. Sunil Naik, aged about 28 years, presently Residing at Ukkali LT, Vijayapura - 586 102, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KAVERI CHAVAN KAVERI RAJPAAL CHAVAN** to **KAVERI SUNIL NAIK**, vide affidavit dated 17.12.2022, sworn before B. Chitra, Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **SINDHU AIHOLE** @ **SINDHU HIREHAL**, W/o. Basavaraj Aihole, aged about 24 years, residing No. 15, Garudadhri Nilaya, 1st Main Road, Gandhipura White field, Bengaluru East Taluk - 560 066, at Bengaluru, do hereby declare that both the names **SINDHU HIREHAL** and **SINDHU AIHOLE** pertains to me only, hereinafter in all documents my name will be entered as **SINDHU AIHOLE** only, vide affidavit dated 16.12.2022, sworn before B. Chitra, Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **KATHIEEB S**, Son of Shabir, aged about 29 years, residing at Bhakthanapalya, Nelamangala Taluk, Vajarahalli, Bangalore Rural - 562123, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KATHIEEB S** to **GAGAN** vide affidavit dated 16.12.2022 sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **PRAKASH RAMU** S/o Anniya Ramu Konar R/at No. 18, 29th Main Road 2nd Stage BTM Layout Bengaluru - 560076 have changed my name to **PRAKASH RAMU KONAR** vide Affidavit dated: 17/12/2022 before notary K.V.Mani Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **SARALADEVI SELVAM**, W/o Dr. Selvam Arjunan, D/o Jayavel Nainapallai, aged about 42 years, R/at No. 15, Flat No. 309, HMR Villament, HMR Layout, Purnapura, Bengaluru-54, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SARALADEVI JAYAVEL** to **SARALADEVI SELVAM**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SARALADEVI SELVAM** only, vide affidavit dated 17-12-2022, sworn before Advocate and notary **SOWMINI UNNIKRISHNAN** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **PRIYA RAJU**, W/o G.V. Raju, age 45 years, R/at No. 19, V R Layout, Sarakki Road, Near Rajalakshmi Nursing Home, JP Nagar 1st Phase, Bangalore-78, Karnataka India do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **R. PRATIK** to **PRATHIK R.** henceforth he shall be known and called as **PRATHIK R** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 17th December 2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary D.K. Rameshappa at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **No. 8036067F** Rank Hav, Name Naveen Chand of 1812 PNR Unit, My wife name is wrongly recorded in my service record as **Jyoti Chand**. Her correct name is **Jyoti Chand**. As per Affidavit No. IN-KA18274881640270U made at Bangalore on 15.12.2022 before Notary.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **PRIYALAXMI M** W/o Mr. S. RAGHAVENDRA RAO R/o: # 1922, EVS 8th B Main, Near Sagar Textile, 3rd Stage, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru - 560064, have changed my name from **PRIYALAXMI M** to **M. PRIYA LAKSHMI** Vide Affidavit dated 16.12.2022 sworn to before Notary Public G.P. CHAYA, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **NAVEEN G R**, R/at 1161/1, Rajanna Building, next to Gym, Krishna Reddy Layout, Bengaluru - 560100 have changed my name to **NAVEEN REDDY R** vide affidavit dated 16.12.2022 sworn to before Advocate and Notary R. Sulakshana Bangalore.

NAME DECLARATION
 I, **SRI. CHARAN MOHAN H. N.**, Son of Narayanaswamy, M. aged about 36 years, R/at: Hindiganaa Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hosakote Taluk - 562122, Bangalore Rural District. I declare that my name is **"CHARAN MOHAN H. N."** the same is recorded in Aadhar Card and Pan Card, but my S.S.L.C. Marks card as wrongly mentioned **"CHARAN MOHAN H. N."** instead of **"CHARAN MOHAN H. N."** hereby declare that my name **"CHARAN MOHAN H. N."** vide affidavit date: 17-12-2022, sworn to before Notary A. Narayanaswamy.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **Krishna.S.Vyas**, S/o Vyasraj.S.S R/a. Sri Ranga Vilas, No.58, 6th Main, Pramod Layout, Near Nandi Link Grounds, Bangalore-560039, have changed my daughter's name from **K.Vaishnavi** to **Vaishnavi.Krishna**, vide affidavit dated 13.12.2022 sworn before notary T C Thimmaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **PRATHIBHA** R/at No.4,58, Narnadu Madaga, Upoor, Thenkabettu Post, Udipi-576105, have changed my name to **PRATHIBHA ROHITH POOJARY** vide affidavit dated: 16/12/2022 before Notary K.V.Mani Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **NIKITHA .R.**, aged about 30 years, W/o Vijaya Kumar D, R/at No. 121, 8th Cross, 19th Block, Arkavathi Layout, Chellikere, Bengaluru-560043, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AYISHA SIDDIKA** to **NIKITHA.R.** henceforth I shall be known and called as **NIKITHA.R** only, vide affidavit dated 17-12-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary S.I. BALAGURU at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **KEERTHAN SUBHAKRITH** (New Name), S/o Bharath Reddy, resident of No.88, 36th Main, 19th Cross, J.P.Nagar 6th Phase, Bengaluru-560078, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from **KIRTHAN SUBHAKRITH** (Old Name) to **KEERTHAN SUBHAKRITH** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called **KEERTHAN SUBHAKRITH** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 17/12/2022, before Notary T. R. Raghavendra Rao, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **KIRAN SALIAN** residing at No. 48, 3rd 'B' Cross, Sathyanarayana Layout, J.C.Nagar, Mahalakshmiapuram, Bangalore 560086, declare that have changed my name from **KIRAN SALIAN** to **KIRAN P SALIAN** vide affidavit dated 17-12-2022 sworn before Notary, **ONKARAPPA NR** Bangalore-560021

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **SONU KUMAR K** alias **SONU KUMAR KISHAN LAL CHANTALA** S/o Mr. Kishan Lal R / o : # 127, 4th Main, Netaji Road, Dwarika Nagar, Baglur Cross, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560063 have changed my name from **SONU KUMAR K** alias **SONU KUMAR KISHAN LAL CHANTALA** to **SONU KUMAR** Vide Affidavit dated 17-12-2022 sworn to before Notary Public G.P. CHAYA, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **PRIYANKA PRASAD** (vide Passport No.KS202755, Date of Birth:23.11.1988), W/o. Mr. Nilesh Kumar, Presently Residing at Flat No. 8-1502, Tower-B, Shriram Greenfield Apartments, near Prestige Tranquility, Bommenahalli, Old Madras Road, Bommenahalli, Bangalore-560049, Karnataka, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KUMARI PRIYANKA** to **PRIYANKA PRASAD** vide affidavit dated 17-12-2022 sworn to before K.V. Jagannath Reddy, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **SOMU C (SOMU CHOCKALINGAM)**, Aged about 33 years, S/o. S Chockalingam, No. F2, 1st Floor, No. 12, AECOS Layout, 2nd Cross, RMU 2nd Stage, Geddaiahalli, Sanjay Nagar, Bangalore - 560 094, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SOMASUNDARAM C (SOMASUNDARAM CHOCKALINGAM)** to **SOMU C (SOMU CHOCKALINGAM)** vide affidavit dated 17.12.2022 sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **Rudra Prayaag**, S/o Shri. Basappa Badiger, aged about 32 years, residing at No.758, 3rd Cross, 10th Main, Vijaya bank Layout, Bilekahalli, Bengaluru-560076, have changed my name from **Rudrappa Basappa Badiger** to **Rudra Prayaag**, vide affidavit dated 13.12.2022 sworn before notary D.S.Chandranth, Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
 I, **ZULAYKHA JABEEN** W/o Late Fayaz Ahmed, R/of No. 4431, BSM Colony, behind Shanthala Colony, Nelamangala, Bangalore-562123, do hereby declare that all the names i.e., **FAIAZ AHMED, FAIAZ AHMED, FAIZ AHMED, FAIZ AHMED, PAYAZ AHMAD, PAYAZ AHMED, PAYAZ AHMAD** and **FIYAZ AHMED** are one and the same and belongs to my husband only, vide affidavit dated 16-12-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MAMATHA .N.K** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **RAHOOL HANUMAN BAJAJJ**, aged about 40 years, S/o Hanuman Prasad Bajaj, R/at Greencity Eutopia, Flat A-402, 4th Floor, No. 9, 16th Main Road, BTM II stage, Bengaluru-560076, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAHUL BAJAJ** to **RAHOOL HANUMAN BAJAJJ**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **RAHOOL HANUMAN BAJAJJ** only, vide affidavit dated 17-12-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **SENTHIL RAJAA NATARAJAN**, Residing at Flat No. 22044, Prestige Falcon City, Building 2, Tower 2, 4th Floor, Konanakunte Cross, Bengaluru-560062, Karnataka India, declare that I have changed the name of my Minor Son from **SANJAY SENTHIL RAJAA** (Old Name) to **SANJAY SENTHIL** (New Name), henceforth my Son shall be known and called as **SANJAY SENTHIL** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 17/12/2022 before Notary MAHESHA. J. J, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **Praveen Kumar K P V**, S/O K V Narayana Marar, aged about 52 years, residing at Flat No. 201, 2nd Floor, Kendrabindu Apartment, 8th A Main, 5th Cross, Near Shirdi Sai Temple, NTL Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097, have changed my name from **PRAVEEN KUMAR TO PRAVEEN KUMAR K P V**, vide affidavit dated 17/12/2022 sworn to before K G Rajpal advocate and notary Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **LEENAMOLE RAJAN** alias **LEENAMOLE . P** W/o Mr. R. Rajan R/o # 204, Nandanam, 12th A Cross, A Sector, Near Corporation Bank, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru - 560064, have changed my name from **LEENAMOLE RAJAN** alias **LEENAMOLE . P** to **LEENA RAJAN** Vide Affidavit dated 17-12-2022 sworn to before Notary Public G.P. CHAYA, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **NAGALAXMI KUKALA**, W/o. S. PRASANTH NAIDU, residing at #24, Sri Lakshmi Nivas, 1st Block, 2nd Cross, Akshaya Nagar, Bengaluru-560016, do hereby solemnly affirm that I have changed my name from **NAGALAXMI KUKALA** to **NAGALAXMI PRASHANTH NAIDU** vide affidavit dated 17.12.2022 sworn to before Advocate and Notary Y.V. Shankar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **SHEETHAL SUNITHA P**, Aged about 31 years, D/o. Peter Shantharaj, R/at No. U51, 4th Cross, 1st Main Road, St. Peter & Paul Church, Rayapuram, JRR Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 018, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SITEL SUNEETA** to **SHEETHAL SUNITHA P** vide affidavit dated 17.12.2022 sworn to before Prakash .C, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
 I, **Mangalamma N M** D/o Munijappa & Jayamma, R/a. Narayanahalli Gulluru Hobli Narayanahalli, Tumkur-572122, have changed my name has From **Mangalamma N M TO Mangala N M**, vide affidavit dated 02.12.2022 sworn before notary Muralitharanna.D, Bengaluru.

